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Debates on Virginia's Admission in Congress.

A Singular Memorial Introduced by Mr. Sumner.

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The Trials of Governor Ashley—Transactions in Mississippi and Texas Politics—Meeting of Postmasters—The State Dinner—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Both Houses again devoted the chief part of the session in each to the case of Virginia, and it is due to Congress to say that it is the very sentiment of the injustice of the delay which is now forcing the consideration of the question of admission in both Houses every day. The result will be that, however cloudy the discussion may become with amendments and verbiage and much declamation, the bill will pass both Houses probably this week, unquestionably, without any more stringent conditions than those imposed by PAINE's bill, and possibly with the still more liberal measure of the Senate Judiciary Committee. The discussion of General PAINE's bill in the House to-day did not reveal anything beyond three set speeches on the measure. General FARNSWORTH led off in favor of the bill with some qualifications, General PAINE in favor of the bill *in toto*, he being the author of it, and General MORGAN, of Ohio, Democrat, in opposition to it. It will pass the House not later than Friday. The discussion of the question in the Senate degenerated into the bitterest personality and almost vindictiveness, but there was, nevertheless, an excellent spirit developed on the part of some Senators. Messrs. HOWARD and NYE distinguished themselves by their sentiments of liberality and magnanimity. The bill will pass the Senate just as soon as Senators stop talking. This is so certain that the Virginia people here are already discounting their joyful manifestations.

THE GEORGIA TROUBLES.

The Georgia Legislature troubles have been referred here for action. General TERRY to-day telegraphed to General SHERMAN asking instructions with reference to certain members who are taking the test oath, of whom it is notorious that they are entirely disqualified. After consultation with the President and Secretary of War, General SHERMAN replied directing General TERRY that wherever there was a flagrant case of the character indicated to use his discretion, and act promptly. There is little doubt of the result of General TERRY's action. The following dispatch was received here to-day from Atlanta, Ga.:

JAN. 11, 1870.—In the Senate organization yesterday thirty-five Senators took the oath, of whom two are clearly disqualified. In the House sixty-four took the oath, of whom nine are clearly disqualified. The organization of the House is progressing to-day with similar results. The Democracy have officially announced through their Committee that funds are provided to defend any Democrats who take the oath, and under the impression that their conspiracy to get control of the House by perjury cannot be defeated they are in high glee. Unless General TERRY uses his power the rebels will succeed. Is it not clear that under section 2, line 37, in the copy of the Senate bill to reconstruct, as printed by the House, the word "unable," and in section 4, line 2, the words "entitled to compose such Legislature," and section 5, line 7, the words "otherwise complied with this act," taken together with his powers under the previous sections, authorize General TERRY, for the purpose of legal organization, to declare such members as he is thoroughly satisfied are disqualified, to be incompetent to participate in organizing the House, and then leave the final determination of qualification to the body after it is properly and legally organized and reconstructed? If this course is not intended by the Congress, will he be improperly yielded to by the rebels, and will give us a thoroughly loyal organization that will try cases of eligibility fairly. If the rebels are allowed to keep their seats now they will, under various pretexts, a number of Republicans being left out, take control of the House. The case is critical and needs prompt action. The General commanding has telegraphed the President, and if he is assured of being sustained by the Administration, can and will do what is right and necessary in this emergency. The call of the House will not be completed before noon to-morrow.

GOVERNOR ASHLEY'S CONTEST.

Letters received here from Montana give interesting particulars of the contest between Governor ASHLEY and the Legislature, which is almost unanimously Democratic. There are three State offices whose appointment vests in the Governor, but whose confirmation is necessary by the Legislative Council. For these offices ASHLEY has nominated fifteen or twenty different sets of men, all Republican, who have in turn been rejected by the Council. The fight has finally assumed, on a small scale, such a shape as that did between Congress and ANDY JOHNSON. The Legislature passed a tenure-of-office bill, and Governor ASHLEY promptly vetoed it. At last accounts the rebel Legislature was about to pass it over his veto. The friends of Governor ASHLEY are of the opinion that this contest must inure to his benefit. Here a great deal of sympathy is felt among Republicans for his position, and a remonstrance against his removal was in circulation. There is little probability, however, of any action being able to effect a change in the determination of the President.

THE TEXAS ELECTION.

General REYNOLDS has made his report officially to the President of the result of the election in Texas. It is very brief, and gives no particulars not already known. He states that General DAVIS' majority is over 700, and gives a list of the other State officers and members of Congress elect. An order will issue at once installing General DAVIS as Provisional Governor, and organizing the Legislature provisionally, for the purpose of ratifying the Fifteenth Amendment.

OCEAN CABLES.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee, at their meeting this morning, considered the question of ocean cables, and it is very probable that they will soon report some decidedly important measures bearing on this subject. One of these measures is likely to be a prohibition of any consolidation of rival cables, without first obtaining the consent of the Government, through the Postmaster-General. The whole subject will also be treated in one comprehensive measure, so that these important and complicated questions may be settled on some substantial basis.

NEW-ORLEANS CUSTOM HOUSE.

Pertinent to the statements regarding a political organization of the New-Orleans Custom House, is the fact that the Republican Executive State Central Committee of Louisiana, whose recommendations Collector CASEY expresses his intention of recognizing, has just sent here a list of one hundred and twenty-five Democrats among his new appointees, made upon the 1st of January. An effort will be made to stop their confirmation.

SENATOR SUMNER ON FINANCE.

Senator SUMNER for more than an hour to-day retained almost the undivided attention of the full Senate during the delivery of his financial speech. Every chair was turned and every face inclined towards his desk, and the morning hour was prolonged to give him an opportunity to finish his argument in favor of decreased taxation and specie resumption.

MISSISSIPPI REPRESENTATIVES.

Trustworthy letters to officials here, from Mississippi, state that the incoming Legislature will probably elect three Senators, as follows: General B. B. ECCLESTON to fill the short term, which will expire March 4, 1871; General ADELBERT AMES, formerly Provisional Governor, to fill the term ending March 4, 1875, and General ALCORN, the present Governor, to fill the term commencing March 4, 1871.

MEETING OF POSTMASTERS.

A number of the Postmasters of the principal cities of the country, including Mr. PATRICK H. JONES, of New-York, and the officers of Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, Chicago, Indianapolis and other points, are in session here in response to the invitation of the Postmaster-General, issued about a month ago for the purpose of discussing certain postal matters, and of suggesting some possible improvements and changes in the service. Mr. HORACE GREELEY also participated in the meeting to-day by special invitation. The advisability of reducing the charges for registered letters was talked over, and also the carrier system, newspaper postages, and the money-order system. But the Committee have not yet come to any positive determination on anything. They will, however, present a report in a few days to Mr. CRESWELL, who will adopt such suggestions as he deems advisable, and possibly ask legislative action on whatever may be deemed necessary.

LEAGUE ISLAND.

League Island occupied the House during the whole of the morning hour to-day, and went over until to-morrow without any conclusion. The bill is reported from the Committee on Naval Affairs, and proposes to authorize the transfer of the Navy Yard from Philadelphia to League Island. Although it does not authorize any direct expenditure, yet the very next step will do so, and for this reason the measure is meeting with very earnest opposition.

THE DUTY ON COAL.

The Ways and Means Committee are still considering the coal duty. They heard this morning the representatives of the coal interests of Nova Scotia and of Maryland, respectively. Ex-Governor THOMAS, of Maryland, will be here to-morrow to be heard in favor of the bituminous coal interests of that State. The Committee are not likely to reach any conclusion on the rate of duty for coal before Friday.

PERSONAL.

His Royal Highness Prince ARTHUR will arrive in this city early next week. On Monday, the 24th inst., the British Minister and Mrs. THORNTON will give a formal dinner in his honor, to which a number of distinguished gentlemen have been invited, including the members of the Cabinet. His young Highness will be quite the lion of the hour during his brief stay in the national capital. General BANKS made his appearance on the floor of the House for the first time this session, to-day, and was warmly greeted. He has taken apartments at the Arlington. HORACE GREELEY, Esq., was also on the floor of the House, in conference with his iron friend, Mr. KELLEY. Postmaster JONES and Hon. C. T. HULBURD, of New-York, are also in town.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

A STATE DINNER AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

The first state dinner of the season took place this evening at the President's house. The following are the names of the guests and the order in which they were seated: On one side of the table, Representative Garfield, Mrs. Porter, General Sherman, Mrs. Creswell, the Attorney-General, Mrs. Fish, Senator Sumner, Mrs. Grant, the Vice-President, Mrs. Morton, Senator Cameron, Mrs. Cox, the Secretary of the Treasury, Mrs. Thurman and Speaker Blaine. On the other side: Mrs. Blaine, Admiral Porter, Mrs. Smith, the Secretary of War, Mrs. Boutwell, Senator Morton, Mrs. Coltax, the President, Mrs. Cameron, the Secretary of State, Mrs. Belknap, the Postmaster-General, Mrs. Borie, the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Garfield. At one end of the table were Mr. Kemble, Mr. Borie and Mrs. Bingham, and at the other the Secretary of the Interior, Miss Borie and Mr. Brooks.

NOMINATIONS.

The President made the following nominations to-day:

Edward B. Moore, to be Appraiser at Philadelphia; Samuel S. Cox, to be Collector of Customs at Pacific Santa, N. T.; Simeon Truedwell, to be Collector of Internal Revenue of the Seventh District of New York; Joseph L. Requa, to be Collector of Customs at St. John's, Fla.; Anthony Q. Keasbey, to be United States Attorney for the District of New-Jersey; Benjamin F. Claypool, to be United States Marshal for the District of Indiana; Thomas C. Chittenden, to be Postmaster at Adams, Jefferson County, N. Y.; George W. Van Cleft, to be Civil Engineer in the Navy, to be employed in the New-York Navy Yard, vice H. W. Brinkerhoff, resigned.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE...WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Jan. 12.

Petitions were presented for a line of first-class steamships between Norfolk, New-York and the Mediterranean ports.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. CONKLING presented the resolutions of the Legislature of New-York withdrawing the assent of that State to the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment. He said he thus discharged a distasteful duty, and regretted that a record so ill-advised should have come from the State of New-York. At the proper time he would show how little such a proceeding deserved the consideration of the Senate.

Mr. DRAKE offered a resolution, which was laid on the table, that Indian treaties shall be considered in open session.

FUNDING THE NATIONAL DEBT.

Mr. SUMNER introduced a bill to authorize the refunding and consolidation of the national debt, and to extend banking facilities, and to establish specie payments. He said that while it embodied the recommendation of substituting bank notes for greenbacks, the bill also provided for the refunding and consolidation of the national debt in such a way as to make it easy to bear, while bringing the existing currency to a par with coin. The preservation of the national credit and the restoration of healthy industry were most essential at this time; the latter involving two things—first, the reduction of the present usual interest on the national debt, and second, the spread of the national debt over succeeding generations. Posterity could easily bear this responsibility, and, as a matter of justice, should be compelled to shoulder it. If economy of taxation now, our business interests would be relieved. The bill contemplated the prompt extinguishment of the five-twenties of 1862, and upon a certain period of notice, say six months, so that distant holders in Europe may be advised that interest on the five-twenties of 1862 shall cease, and the bonds be forthwith redeemed in coin. These six per cent. five-twenties of 1862, amounting to upward of five hundred millions, would be refunded into five per cent. ten forties, whose payment in coin was expressly stipulated by the act authorizing the issue. With a new issue of the latter, limited to five hundred millions, foreign holders of our six per cent. bonds of 1862 would accept the five per cent. bonds in lieu of coin, and so much of that loan as is held at home may be paid in coin, if preferred by holders, from the proceeds of an equal amount of first placed in Europe, at par for coin. Our five per cent. bonds being limited in amount after being taken at par in preference to coin, will advance in value so that the investment will become popular. The national credit will thus be maintained, the offer being plain, "bonds or coin," giving the world assurance of our determination. The answer will be as prompt as the offer, "bonds and not coin." In regard to the national banks, which had done so much to furnish a uniform currency, two things were necessary. The bonds deposited by them with the Government must be reduced in interest, and the system must be extended so as to supply much-needed facilities, especially at the West and South. The requirement from all the banks of five per cent. bonds, at the rate of $90 for $90 of notes issued and to be issued would absorb $235,000,000 of the national debt into four per cents; while the withdrawal of $1 in greenbacks for each additional dollar of notes will go far to extinguish the outstanding greenbacks, thus quietly removing an impediment to specie payments. The bill sought to bring national obligations to a par with coin, and to resume specie payment without effort, while our bonds would be made the most popular in the market.

A NEW MILITARY POST.

Mr. WILSON, from the Military Committee, reported favorably a joint resolution setting apart a portion of the Fort Snelling military reservation for a permanent military post, and for the settlement of claims in relation thereto.

GOVERNMENT RAILROAD SUBSIDIES.

Mr. RAMSEY introduced a bill granting lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the western boundary of Minnesota to the Winnepeg district of British Columbia.

THE ADMISSION OF VIRGINIA.

The Virginia bill was then taken up, and the consideration of the amendment offered by Mr. DRAKE, to prevent the rescinding of the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment by Virginia, was resumed.

Mr. CONKLING enumerated the conditions imposed upon Virginia preparatory to her restoration, all of which, even in minute details had been complied with. The test oath requirement had not been imposed in the case of Louisiana, South Carolina, or any other State, and no objection had ever been made on that score; on the contrary, Senators had been admitted from States in which the Legislatures had directly refused to take the test oath. Louisiana and Virginia had inquired in advance, and were informed from Washington, the former by the Commanding General of the Army and the latter by the Attorney-General, that no such obligation was required. The objection that the officers of the Virginia Legislature were not sworn into office, that the late election was unfair, and that the persons disqualified by the Fourteenth Amendment, occupied seats in the Legislature, were alike unsustained by the facts. Mr. DRAKE had in his memory or the records of the Virginia Legislature did not show that the officers had ever been sworn, consequently the Legislature had not been regularly organized, and the Fifteenth Amendment never legally ratified by the State.

Mr. SCOTT said that if Congress had reason to apprehend faithlessness on the part of Virginia, which was implied in the amendment of Mr. DRAKE, the State should not be admitted at all. If such a spirit really existed there, it might manifest itself in the attempted repeals of the State's action upon other amendments to the Constitution, and in other instances of equally vital national importance. He opposed the amendment because of its implication that Congress had no faith in Virginia's fidelity to the covenant into which she entered as a State of the Union.

Mr. THURMAN submitted an amendment—which occasioned general merriment—declaring the States of New-York, Ohio and New-Jersey from representation in Congress because the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment had been rescinded by the former and that of the Fourteenth Amendment by the others.

Mr. WARNER, referring to the remark by Mr. MORTON that "the supreme authority of Congress over the reconstructed States, did not end with their reconstruction," inquired whether the Senate held to the position that these States were forever to be treated as in a condition of rebellion. He wanted to know whether, as a Senator from Alabama, he was by his office the peer of any other Senator, and whether Alabama, complying with the conditions imposed, and being restored to her relations to the Government, did not stand upon equal footing with Massachusetts and every other State? If the doctrine that any of these States could be ejected was a valid one, he and his colleagues might yet have to pray "good Lord, good devil" as the political majority in Congress may require.

Mr. THURMAN withdrew his amendment, and Mr. WILSON offered as an amendment the bill reported on the previous day by the House Reconstruction Committee.

Mr. BOUTWELL suggested an amendment requiring the imposition of the oath in the case of State officers, in order that they shall not be obnoxious to the Fourteenth Amendment.

Mr. MORTON gave notice that he would further amend by declaring in the form of a preamble that the ratification of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, as conditions precedent to the representation of Virginia, had been made in good faith. This condition would thus appear upon record, and if hereafter violated, it would be for Congress to take action in vindication of its own honor by punishing the treachery. In reply to Mr. WARNER, he held that the right of Congress to reconstruct State Governments was based on the fact that Congress had reconstructed and punish the bad faith of a State.

Mr. SUMNER submitted a memorial from certain Republicans of Virginia, now in Washington, complaining of the action of Congress in requiring that a majority of the present Virginia Legislature had been elected by fraud, violence, and intimidation, and suggesting the necessity for Congress to enforce the existing Reconstruction acts until satisfied that all the voters were given an opportunity to vote freely. The concluding paragraph of the memorial, in view of contradictory testimony, was to the effect that if men from the jury box in that State, that the right of secession was as firmly believed in then as at any time during the war; that the leaders of the so-called Walker Party publicly declared in the late canvass they had supported the so-called expurgated Constitution for the purpose of securing the admission of Virginia; that members of the Legislature had recently avowed that the pledge given to carry out the new Constitution was made to gain the admission of the State and deceive Congress; that one of the delegation that waited on the House Reconstruction Committee lately said that when General Burnside told them he would take the word of a Virginia gentleman, he felt for his watch, because he knew the General had very taking ways with him. The memorialists also claimed to be able to show that Governor WALKER was a Copperhead during the war, in full sympathy with the rebellion; that he was President of a club in Chicago organized to rescue rebel prisoners from Camp Douglas, and his political proclivities had undergone no change since his residence in Virginia; that during the canvass in Virginia he publicly declared his desire to vote for General Robert E. Lee, because he was the greatest soldier of the United States, and that General LEE occupied the same political platform; that Governor WALKER, as would be shown, was pledged to oppose the new Constitution, the school system and the securing of civil and political rights of the people, and that since his election he has publicly spoken of Virginia as under military and tyranny, meaning thereby that acts of Congress were revolutionary.

Upon the conclusion of the reading of the paper several Senators called for the reading of the names attached to it. These were read as follows:

Isaac P. Baldwin, Chairman; W. F. Davis, Secretary; Robert Norton, P. H. Mortimer, Bernard Ward, Wm. Lee, Wm. Wilkinson, George C. Marshall, E. Doughty, Charles H. Porter, Luther Lee, Jr., Samuel B. Williamson.

The Chair, in answer to inquiries, said the whole number of names were thirteen, all in the same hand writing.

Mr. RYE said he would submit whether the communication was not too disrespectful to be quire its exclusion from the Senate. He was surprised that the Senator from Massachusetts would present a paper which reflected in the grossest possible manner upon a colleague of his own into coordinate branch.

Mr. SUMNER obtained the floor, and said the Senator did him great injustice, in so much as the memorial simply sets forth the remarks upon conversations between his distinguished colleague in the other House and other parties, showing what little confidence could be placed on the men forward in the movement in behalf of Virginia. He could not be held responsible for these utterances.

Mr. RYE said he would not himself be guilty of a reflection upon a colleague by means have resorted to. The memorial had originated, he judged from the names attached to it, from that class of men who had been hanging around the Senate and both Houses of Congress with the purpose of defeating the Virginia Constitution which she is entitled. He thought it unfortunate for the opponents of Virginia that their last gun should have been fired with so little effect. Virginia had complied with every Congressional requirement. The election held there was in exact conformity of the law, but the result was not such as to satisfy the gentlemen who petitioned here and somebody was disappointed, and now hoped to soothe his feelings by an appeal for intervention by Congress. Governor WALKER had offered his services to the country to put down rebellion, which fact was shown by the records of the War Department; and not one of the charges against him in the memorial was true. He declared that he had become heartily tired of the reconstruction hobby, which had been ridden through Congress for so many years, and yet the Senator from Massachusetts would have the unreconstructed States stand. Knocking at the door until their locks were wet with the dews of the night; that the Senator's last hope was in a memorial which gave the mere hearsay of irresponsible persons, upon which the Senate was asked to suspend action.

Mr. SUMNER also defended Governor WALKER.

Mr. SIMON inquired: Has it come to this, that the loyal people of Virginia could not be heard on the Senate floor? that a petition from them was to be met by denunciation from both of the Senators from Nevada? Those Senators had gone over to the Democrats upon the present question, and it was not to be wondered at that while among their new allies their devotion to great principles should have weakened. For himself, he was content to stand by the plighted faith of the Republic.

Mr. STEWART replied, that in view of the charge of Mr. SUMNER that he had deserted his party, he would refresh the recollection of that Senator by reading a portion of his record last session, when he filibustered with the Democrats to prevent the passage of the bill submitting the Fifteenth Amendment to the legislatures of the States. He forwarded to the Clerk's desk and had read from the Congressional Globe a portion of the remarks at the last session by Mr. SUMNER against the bill referred to, and in advocacy, as a substitute therefor, of Congressional legislation. Mr. STEWART said that upon the occasion referred to the Senator had applied the same haughty, overbearing process by which he now sought to coerce him. He did not then charge that Senator with acting with the Democrats, and now he was willing to let him alone when he attempted to shut the door in the face of a State which came forward to help the Government. He asked to be allowed to exercise his own responsibility upon questions relative to suffrage he could not recognize. He did not fear being read out of the party by the Senator from Massachusetts because of having acted with the Administration, and was well satisfied with the company in which he now found himself.

On motion of Mr. DRAKE, the Senate, at 4 o'clock, adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. WOOD presented a joint resolution of the New-York Legislature withdrawing the assent heretofore given to the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment, which was laid on the table.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. WILSON, of Minnesota, introduced a bill granting lands to the State of Minnesota for a railroad to the Winnepeg boundary of the British possessions. Referred.

Mr. GARFIELD introduced a bill to amend the act establishing the Department of Education, and to abolish the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands. Referred.

Mr. KERR introduced a bill to repeal the act of June 17, 1862, defining additional causes of challenge and prescribing an additional oath to grand and petit jurors in United States Courts. Referred.

By Mr. SNOLLEY—Amending the act of Feb. 22, 1867, for the election of a Congressional Printer, and providing that he shall be chosen by concurrent resolution.

THE LEAGUE ISLAND NAVY YARD.

The House proceeded, as the regular business of the morning hour, to the consideration of the bill for the transfer of the Philadelphia Navy Yard to League Island.

Mr. WASHBURN, of Wisconsin, moved, as amendment requiring the survey and sale in lots of the ground covered by the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

A discussion on the merits of the bill, occupied the whole of the morning hour, the bill being opposed by Messrs. Washburn, of Wisconsin, and Davis, and defended by Messrs. Scofield, Kelley, O'Neill, Myers and Randall. Finally the morning hour expired, and the bill went over until the next morning hour.

THE VIRGINIA BILL.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the bill to admit the State of Virginia to representation in Congress.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, who reported the bill from the Reconstruction Committee, addressed the House in explanation and advocacy of it. He contended, with the opinion of the Attorney-General that the test oath could not be exacted from the members of the Virginia Legislature, for the new Constitution provided what oath should be required, which was an oath to observe and obey the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and laws of Virginia. He had come to the conclusion that it would be better to follow the Bible recommendation and to swear not at all, than to have the eternal multiplication of oaths, oaths, oaths, which excluded intelligence and worth, and wealth from public office. There was something else wanted besides oaths. Congress should not set Virginia the example of bad faith and treachery by refusing to do what it had promised.

Mr. FAIRS, another member of the Reconstruction Committee, made an argument in favor of the bill. He declared that the loyalists of Virginia demanded that the test oath should be required; and it was the Democrats, under the lead of Governor WALKER, that desired to be relieved from all oaths whatever. This Government, he said, was in a transition state. From the adoption of the Constitution to the present time the Republic had been the theatre of an incessant struggle between National and Confederate ideas and principles. The Democratic Party had, by its rebellious, had narrowed the semi-sovereign character of the States, and henceforward within the wide range of the momentous interests covered by the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution, the States would be practically little more than counties. This was a great shift in the direction of constitutional balances, and of the transfer of power from the representatives of the people in the State Legislatures to the representatives of the people in Congress, and he favored the national side in the struggle.

Mr. MORGAN declared himself unalterably opposed to the conditions contained in the bill for the admission of Virginia to representation, and in favor of the substitute offered by his colleague, (Mr. BINGHAM,) not because Virginia had complied with the Reconstruction acts, but because of an older and a higher law—the Constitution of the United States. He did not want Virginia brought back manacled and chained as a slave.

At the conclusion of Mr. MORGAN's remarks, at 4 o'clock, the House adjourned.

NEWS BY THE CABLE.

FRANCE.

A Fierce Tirade from M. Rochefort on the Bonaparte Family and Dynasty—M. De Fonvielle's Account of the Fatal Interview.

PARIS, Jan. 12.—The *Marseillaise* newspaper was published in mourning yesterday, and contained the following leading article printed in large type:

The Murder Committed by the Prince Pierre Napoleon Bonaparte upon the Citizen Victor Noir—The Attempt to Murder Made by the Prince Pierre Napoleon Bonaparte upon the Citizen Ulric de Fonvielle.

I have had the weakness to believe that a BONAPARTE could be other than an assassin. I have dared to imagine that a fair duel was possible in that family where murder and waylaying are traditional and habitual. Our co-laborer, PASCHAL GROUSSET, has shared my error, and to-day we mourn our dear friend, VICTOR NOIR, assassinated by the ruffian PIERRE NAPOLEON BONAPARTE. For eighteen years past France has been in the blood-stained hands of these cutthroats, who, not content with grape-shotting Republicans in the streets, allure them into baited traps for the purpose of slaughtering them at home. People of France! Have you not had decidedly enough of this? (*Peuple Français, est-ce que décidément tu ne trouves pas qu'en voilà assez?*) HENRI ROCHEFORT.

The *Marseillaise* was very violent again this morning, and the entire issue was therefore seized by the authorities. It also publishes the following statement of M. DE FONVIELLE:

On the 10th of January, 1870, at 1 o'clock, VICTOR NOIR and myself repaired to the residence of Prince PIERRE BONAPARTE, No 59 Rue d'Auteuil. We were communicated by M. PASCHAL GROUSSET to demand of Prince PIERRE BONAPARTE the reason for injurious articles against M. PASCHAL GROUSSET, published in *L'Avenir de la Corse*. We handed our cards to two servants, who stood at the door, and who ushered us into a small parlor on the ground floor at our right hand. After a few minutes we were conducted up stairs to the first floor, passed through a fencing room and finally entered a drawing room.

A door opened and M. PIERRE BONAPARTE entered. We advanced towards him and the following words passed between us:

"Sir, we come on behalf of M. PASCHAL GROUSSET, to deliver a letter to you."

"You are not come, then, on behalf of M. ROCHEFORT, and you are not tools of his?"

"Sir, we are here on other business, and I beg you to look at this letter."

I handed him the letter. He approached a window to read it. He finished it, and after crushing it in his hands, he returned towards us.

"I have provoked M. ROCHEFORT," said he, "because he is the standard bearer of the rabble; as for M. GROUSSET, I have no reply to make to him. Are you the representatives of these scallions (*ces charognes*)?

"Sir," I answered, "we come to you to fulfill loyalty and courteously, the commissions intrusted to us by our friend."

"Are you the representatives of these wretches?"

VICTOR NOIR replied: "We are the representatives of our friends."

Then suddenly advancing a step, and without provocation on our part, Prince BONAPARTE slapped VICTOR NOIR with his left hand, and at the same time drew a revolver of six chambers, which he had held concealed in his pocket, already cocked, and fired upon NOIR. With the usually effect upon a man close to him, NOIR staggered, pressed both hands on his breast, and sank down in the doorway by which we had entered. The cowardly assassin then turned upon me and fired. I then seized a small pistol, which I had in my pocket, and while I was endeavoring to free it from the sheath, the wretch rushed upon me, but when he saw I was armed, he retreated, stood behind the door and aimed at me; it was then that, comprehending the ambush into which we had fallen, and reflecting that if I fired there would not be wanting those who would say that we had been the aggressors, I opened a door which was behind me, but rushed out, crying "Murder," as I went out a second shot followed and again passed through my coat. In the street I found NOIR, who had had strength to descend the stairs, and who was dead. These are the facts, just as they transpired, and I look for prompt and exemplary justice for this crime. ULRIC DE FONVIELLE.

Renewal of M. Noir—Military Precautions to Preserve Order—Intense Popular Excitement—Cries of "Vive La Republique" — The "Marseillaise" Sung by the Populace.

PARIS, Jan. 12.—The funeral of VICTOR NOIR took place to-day. The Government, expecting a demonstration, made extensive preparations to preserve order, and at an early hour all its police and military arrangements were complete. During the morning people began to gather around the house where the remains were lying, coming from all parts of the city. At 11 o'clock 5,000 workmen from the Faubourgs had passed up the boulevards on their way to the funeral. Many carriages, with ladies dressed in mourning, drove to the house to join the procession. At 1 P. M. deputations of workmen visited the remains. The streets from the Place de la Concorde to the Rue d'Auteuil were filled with vast throngs of people. Carriages containing noted persons were surrounded by the crowd and their occupants cheered. The weather was cold and a heavy rain was falling, but the numbers continued to increase. Between 2 and 3 o'clock more than a hundred thousand persons were assembled in the vicinity of the place where the remains reposed. HENRI ROCHEFORT attended the funeral, and his appearance called forth a great demonstration of enthusiasm from the people. The remains were taken to Neuilly for interment, followed by a long procession. The crowd wanted to parade with the body through Paris, but LOUIS NOIR, brother of deceased, refused his consent. At the Cemetery there were frequent shouts of "Vive la Republique," and the "Marseillaise" was repeatedly sung by the people....During the day, while MM. ROCHEFORT and RASPAIL were coming down the Champs Elysées, accompanied by a great crowd, who were singing the "Marseillaise," they were stopped by a regiment of troops and the crowd was ordered to disperse. ROCHEFORT, claiming his right as a Deputy, passed on to the Chamber, where he arrived pale and much excited. The Champs Elysées were then cleared by the troops. Two battalions were stationed near the Hall of the Legislative Body, and five regiments were massed on the boulevard close at hand. The crowd finally dispersed without offering resistance, but some arrests were made by the Police.... The *Reveil*, newspaper, has been seized by the Police. In the Corps Legislatif, the committee to whom was referred the demand of the Procureur Imperial, have pronounced in favor of arraigning Deputy ROCHEFORT for outrage against the Emperor, and for inciting violence and disorder....The *Journal Officiel* publishes an imperial decree ordering that Prince MURAT be brought before the High Court of Justice to be tried on the charge of striking a Magistrate some time ago....M. CHEVANDIER, Minister of the Interior, has issued a circular to the Prefects of the Departments. He declares that the policy of the Ministry will be in accordance with the desires of the Chambers and the country; but the Government will exact order. The Empire has received the consecration of universal suffrage, and while guarding the interests of all, it will not tolerate disorder. The Ministers will be ready, however, to oppose any excess of power on whatever side, and wherever it may appear.

PARIS, Jan. 12—Midnight.—Up to this hour there has been no conflict between the troops and the people, and the city is tranquil. The students went in large numbers to the funeral of VICTOR NOIR, but created no disturbance.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Cable Consolidation Scheme—The Manchester Sec—Turkey and Egypt.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—It is the original Atlantic Cable Company, and not the Anglo-American Cable Company, whose influential members are adverse to the consolidation or composition with the French Cable Company, and whose hostility has caused a depression in Cable shares.... Rev. JAMES FRASER, who was formerly sent to America as a Commissioner to examine the common school system of the United States, has been appointed Bishop of Manchester. Mr. BRIGHT's speech at Birmingham is generally eulogized by the morning papers here. There is but little adverse criticism....The restoration of harmonious relations between the Sultan and the Viceroy of Egypt is complete.

The famous Star and Garter Inn, at Richmond, was destroyed by fire last night. Its manager lost his life in the flames.

MADRID, Jan. 12.—In the Cortes, to-day, Marshal PRIM made a long speech explaining the causes of the present crisis. The Republicans introduced a resolution expressing dissatisfaction with the conduct of the Government.

Within a few days one thousand men have sailed to reinforce the Spanish Army in Cuba.

The Late Don Gregorio Dominguez and the Chilian and Peruvian Bonds.

Don GREGORIO DOMINGUEZ, the ex-Consul-General of Ecuador, who died at his residence in Sixteenth-street day before yesterday, was a prominent character in the celebrated Chilian-Peruvian bond affair, in which JOHN GRAHAM and ANTONIO MILLAN are the leading contestants. DOMINGUEZ was married many years since to a beautiful lady of Newark, New-Jersey. When ANTONIO MILLAN came from Peru with the $600,000 in gold bonds of the two Republics, 1866, DOMINGUEZ officiated as his agent. On the pretense that he would purchase vessels of the United States Government for MILLAN, secret agent of Peru, DOMINGUEZ gave the $600,000 in trust to GRAHAM, who gave a receipt to return the same within seventy-five days. No vessels being purchased MILLAN demanded the return of the bonds. Mr. GRAHAM returned $200,000 of them. The other $400,000 he hypothecated with Broad-street bankers for a small amount of money. The Peruvian Government then annulled the bonds, less $9,000 on them which DOMINGUEZ had been paid as commission. In June last the Peruvian Government published a decree ordering the payment of these bonds with accrued interest in gold. MILLAN had an injunction served upon Messrs. DARNELL, MORGAN & Co., agents of the Peruvian Government in the bond transaction, to prevent their buying the bonds. The case has become an intricate one. The bonds are hidden, or apparently so. The bankers who hold them, and who loaned money on them to GRAHAM, have sold them, it is supposed, to European bankers. They are, however, liable for prosecution for exacting thirty per cent. per annum for the use of the money loaned on them. They have, it is alleged, violated their written compact to return these bonds on payment of money borrowed with stipulated usurious interest. The Peruvian Government now intends to annul the bonds altogether, giving Señor MILLAN credit for $600,000, the original amount, and reimbursing him for all his losses. These bonds were advertised in the TIMES, Dec. 31, 1867.

Missionary Privations.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your issue of Dec. 24 I saw an item signed "Missionary." This missionary sold his keepsakes for bread. My family have lived for days at a time on potatoes, not a mouthful of any other kind of food in the house, not even meal enough to make a bowl of gruel, though some were sick in bed and the others invalids. I buried my son in an old suit which had served him in farm work for fifteen months. The other alternative was to beg.

I wish our wealthy Christian men would look behind the scene and calculate the cost of their own living, and then tell where the disabled missionary and orphan children of missionaries shall get theirs.

ANOTHER "MISSIONARY."

A Wife Mercilessly Beaten.

Last evening MARY TAYLOR, of No. 437 East Fifteenth-street, was severely beaten by her husband, JOHN TAYLOR. Her injuries were of such a serious character that she was taken to Bellevue Hospital, and her husband, having been arrested, was locked up in the Eighteenth Precinct Station House, and will be arraigned before Justice SCHANDLEY, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, this morning.

THE RECREANT PASTOR.

Rev. Horace Cooke Arrested Last Night.

He Commits an Assault Upon an Editor.

Miss Johnston Found at the Everett House.

Particulars of the Flight—The Girl's Statement—Interview with Cooke in His Cell—His Singular Story.

The girl MARTHA JOHNSTON, whose abduction by Rev. HORACE COOKE has been the theme of public scandal for the past few days, has been found, and COOKE, her abductor, is apprehended, and is now in the custody of the Police. It had been the general impression that the parties to this strange affair had left the City, and such measures had been taken by the parents of Miss JOHNSTON as were likely to lead to the discovery of their whereabouts, but without avail.

A WELCOME LETTER.

Yesterday morning Mr. JOHNSTON, whose anxiety for the welfare of his child had been almost beyond human endurance, received a letter, which was delivered at his residence in Seventh-street by a hotel porter. This letter was dated New-York, Jan. 12, and signed by the recreant pastor. It stated that, impressed as he was with the enormity of his crime and the trouble which he had brought upon both the family of Mr. JOHNSTON and his own, he was not fit to live, and wanted to die. He therefore, as a slight reparation for the evil done, would inform the father that his daughter could be found at the Everett House in this City. Immediately upon the receipt of this intelligence Mr. JOHNSTON proceeded to the hotel and there found his daughter.

STORY OF THE ABDUCTION.

It seems that on Friday afternoon, as Miss JOHNSTON was returning from school, she was met by COOKE, who joined her and walked with her some distance, talking with her as usual. Finally he proposed that she should go to the Everett House, and by various threats and representations induced her to accompany him. Miss JOHNSTON states that educated as she was to regard her pastor with reverence and to look upon him as her spiritual and temporal guide, she accompanied him unhesitatingly. Arrived at the hotel COOKE registered Miss JOHNSTON as his sister, under the name of Miss Mary Campbell, and she was assigned a room. Here her father yesterday morning discovered her, and with her returned to her home.

MR. JOHNSTON'S STATEMENT.

Mr. JOHNSTON, upon whom our reporter called last evening, states that at present he is disinclined to make public the facts in the case which have come to his knowledge, but that he has every reason to believe that nothing has transpired which affects the innocence or purity of his child; that owing to the excitable and exciting scenes through which she has passed he has been unable as yet to converse with her fully, and that until she becomes calmer he shall not attempt to do so. He says further that the proprietors and employes of the hotel assure him that during the time of his daughter's absence from home COOKE has only called at the hotel once or twice, each time in the day, and remaining but a few moments at a time. He was at the hotel yesterday morning, and it was then probably that he wrote the letter referred to above. In regard to the failure of his daughter to notify her parents of her whereabouts, he states that, having once taken the fatal step, although innocent, she was afraid to communicate with her home, not knowing how her parents would receive her. It is his impression that COOKE, from the various accounts which had appeared in the public Press, was forced, by the pressure of public opinion and a failure to accomplish his infamous purpose, to take the step he did, and disclose his own identity and the hiding place of his victim.

INTERVIEW WITH MR. COOKE.

At 1 o'clock this morning COOKE was

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Law and the Defence of Dishonesty.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

For one I thank you for your article of to-day, headed, "Does a Fee Counsel to Defend Dishonesty?" You might have used the word "promote" instead of "defend" and smelled closer to the truth. No honest man in this community fails to recognize the fact that certain lawyers are sleeping partners in that *de de justice* which RAMSAR has so long adorned, but when an honest man has also supposed that while he has a right to call a Judge to account as a public officer, he is not entitled to publicly arraign a private citizen for his conduct in a professional capacity.

You have done well in calling the attention of the community to the fact that they have that right, and you might have added to the high moral ground stated by you, the oft forgotten technical one that attorneys and counselors in this State are public officers—officers of the Court, endowed with exclusive powers and privileges, and liable to be stripped of those and discharged from office upon motion for disbarment, unprofessional or dishonest conduct.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1870. R.

The Tuscania Tax.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have read with interest your articles on the income tax, and now notice with pleasure your allusion to the unfairness of taxing salaries, &c., the same as income from invested capital. (In to-day's article.)

May I suggest another unfairness which I have never seen exposed?

The stockholders of a bank with which I am connected are one-half of them women or "estates." We have many women whose dividends from this bank are their only income, and who receive less than $1,000 per annum, and who need the "deductions," if any one does, and yet who pay the income tax through the bank without deduction. The law compels the bank (and all corporations) to pay the five per cent. on dividends for the stockholder, and provides for no deduction. I suppose it is impossible to make a Tax Law which will not work unfairly at some point, but it is worth while to look for a remedy at this point. The widows and orphans whose whole income is from bank and other stocks need the deduction of $1,000 as much as those whose property is otherwise invested. R. G. C.

JAN. 11, 1870.

The Post Office and the Ocean Mails.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have just seen the remarks of your correspondent "Vindex," in your issue of Saturday, and I would say that he is exactly correct in his assumption of the opinion he attributed to me, viz., that the mail service cannot, for the present, at all events, be properly performed between the United States and Great Britain, except through the instrumentality of the Cunard and Inman lines, simply for the reason—to the shame of our Government be it said—that those lines have the only boats now running between here and England possessing the speed and accommodation necessary for the service. I do not pretend to say that it is impossible to build boats for other companies as good and as fast as those owned by the two lines I have named, but I do say they are not built now, and consequently the service cannot be performed properly except through their instrumentality. In respect to the late voyages quoted, permit me to correct the statement of their disparity in time. The *Minnesota* left Liverpool, Dec. 22, and arrived in New-York the morning of Jan. 2; the *City of Baltimore* left Dec. 26, arrived very early on the morning of the 4th, and the *Java* left Dec. 22 and arrived Jan. 4, about midday. There was but six hours difference between the three boats, and upon reference it will be found that there is never an average greater difference of time between the fastest and the slowest boats at this season of the year, from the fact that no matter how fast the boat, she cannot be forced through of not more than half the power or speed. Nine months out of the twelve, however, the regular mailboats show a very different log. As to the statement that the *Minnesota*, *Manhattan*, &c., &c., can and will, without doubt, make better time now they have obtained the contract, I would merely say that the owners of some of this line have the name of being quite too good business men to have allowed their time and money to be thrown away, and the reputation of the boats to be imputed by slow voyages, could they have been obtained, nor do I think the future for the same boats will prove any more satisfactory than the past. The Bremen boats are undoubtedly very fine, fast vessels, but the contract with them thus necessitates the landing of the mail at Southampton at least one day further from London by vessels of the same speed, and as after London the great bulk of Anglo-American correspondence is with Liverpool, Manchester, Sheffield, Glasgow and other northern towns, the most important part of the mail could not be transported in a slower and more circuitous manner. I again say that in this day of commercial enterprise our merchants should certainly take active measures to secure, at least, no retrogression in such an important matter as quick mail communication. Very respectfully, MERCHANT.

The Ocean Mails—Letter from "Another Merchant."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

No one would allow himself to write as strongly as "Vindex" did in your paper of yesterday, about the excessive rates asked by the Cunard and Inman Steamship Companies for the conveyance of the United States mails, unless he were in possession of tolerably accurate information respecting the terms demanded by these Companies. The general public have been kept in ignorance on this point, and I want that "Vindex" will, through the medium of your column, inform them what the excessive rates are to which he refers, provided he feels he can do so without a breach of confidence.

From what has appeared in various papers, I rather that the present position of affairs with regard to the carriage of the mails is about as follows: By the new postal convention between the Government of this country and that of Great Britain, each country is bound to provide proper means for the conveyance of its own mails across the ocean. This convention came into force on the 1st inst., and as far as we are aware, the British Government, notwithstanding the reduction in remuneration continues to provide as efficient means for delivering its mails in this country as it did before the convention came into force. This country, on the other hand, has reduced the number of mails dispatched weekly to Great Britain from four to two, and has reduced the efficiency of the Wednesday mail by sending the letters by a line of steamers—very fine boats of their kind, no doubt—which it is well known take on the average at least forty-eight hours more on their trip to Queenstown than the Cunard mail boats.

This is the position of things, and in this case I have seen offered is that urged by "Vindex" on the "excessive rates" demanded from the Government for the carriage of the mails. As soon as "Vindex" informs us what the exorbitant demands of these Steamship Companies are, the public will be in a position to judge how far the Post Office authorities are justified in adopting the present inferior method of forwarding the mails.

I am sure that I am giving expression to the views of that portion of the mercantile community in this City which is engaged in foreign trade when I state that they would much prefer to pay double the late rates of postage for an efficient mail service, such as they have hitherto enjoyed, rather than the present reduced rates for second-class service. Cheap postage will be a great boon to the bulk of the people in both countries, but I cannot but feel, in view of the large commercial interests involved, that it is the duty of the Post Office authorities to make a strong effort to prevent the reduction in the rates of postage from impairing the efficiency of their ocean mail service. ANOTHER MERCHANT.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1870.

The Collector of the Port and the Cartage Business.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The project of the Collector to assume control of the cartage of all bonded goods at this port, is one materially affecting the interests of importers, and requiring their prompt and energetic action. The cartmen have already sent a delegation of three of their number to Washington, to protest against this scheme, but see their employers, the merchants, fully alive to the importance to them of nipping in the bud this plan to place their goods, wares and merchandise, for the duties on which the Government have accepted their bonds, at the mercy of men utterly responsible to the owners for any damage which may accrue to merchandise in its transit from ship to store!

Goods are now generally carted by carts, employed by the importers, whose interest and convenience is the proper and careful handling and protection of the goods are committed by their partmen. If any package turn out short on the completion of the delivery from vessel, the porter is always and invariably compelled to pay the duty on the missing package, at the average rate or quantity, before he can close his entry at the Custom House, consequently the plea that the Government is to be protected from loss by the adoption of the proposed plan is utterly destitute of foundation.

If importers flatter themselves that their merchandise will receive from any man appointed by the Collector that careful handling and proper attention bestowed by their own employes, they will find too late what a grievous and costly blunder they have committed in permitting this measure to take effect without vigorous efforts to prevent its consummation. IMPORTER.

CURRENT NOTES.

Many of the Hartford clergymen express disapproval of Sunday evening sacred concerts.

And now St. Louis has erected "a palatial business edifice." What American structure won't be "palatial" by and by.

The Boston Atheneum wants the city to give them the site of the Citizens' for a new building for the fine arts, to which its collection may be transferred.

Even in California it has been found necessary to introduce a bill in the Legislature repeatedly to prevent its patrons the adulteration of milk.

Massachusetts owners of whaling vessels which cruise in the Atlantic Ocean, lost $200,000 last year and are disgusted. Their vessels are for sale. They wanted to strike oil and didn't.

A Schenectady justice lately decided that a verbal contract requires a stamp. Ladies fond of putting their foot down found that out long ago.

The Governor of Ohio has pardoned a young man who was sent to State Prison for manslaughter, on condition that he drinks no liquor during the time for which he was sentenced.

Nearly all the radical Democratic papers in Georgia are urging the people to give General Tazewell a fair trial before condemning him, asserting that he is an honest and conscientious officer. They are wrong.

A Georgia paper argues that no ingenuity of Radical malice could make a legal treason out of JEFF. DAVIS' conduct, but that a clearer overt act of treason than Governor BULLOCK'S recent course was never proven.

The Hartford *Post* says it is clear that the material prosperity of New-England depends on her success in preserving that institution, more peculiar to her than any other, the New-England Sabbath.

President SMITH says that by means of the gymnasium at Dartmouth College, a vent is opened for superfluous animal spirits which sometimes pass with young men into a superfluity of nonsense.

A leading San Francisco paper announces that "the question of burying the indigent sick" was before the Supervisors of that city one evening last week. They must have felt inclined to precipitate matters.

Governor PADELFORD, of Rhode Island, told the Legislature all he wanted to in a message not two columns long. The Governor of Maryland found twelve columns necessary, and the Governor of Pennsylvania needed even more than that.

We think our friend of the Wheeling (West Va.) *Intelligencer* is laboring under a misapprehension. We did not put it down as a Free Trade journal, but as favoring a reduction in taxation, and in that, we believe, we were not mistaken.

Judge S. L. WITHEY declined the appointment of Judge of the Sixth United States Circuit when he found that its acceptance would keep him at least ten months in the year away from his family. As the appointment was for life, the prospect was not so agreeable one for a "home body."

Gymnasiums for the use of the students have been erected at Yale, Harvard, Bowdoin, Dartmouth, Princeton, Williams and Amherst. All report that accidents and injuries from over-exertion are rare, and that the scholarship, so far from suffering from the health of the students, has improved since their establishment.

The official returns give the following Republican majorities for Congress in Mississippi: First District, George E. Harris, 2,348; Second District, J. L. Morphis, 4,381; Third District, Henry W. Barry, 6,014; Fourth District, George C. McKee, 15,390; Fifth District, Legrand W. Perce, 5,015.

That its facilities may be commensurate with its comprehensive purposes, the *Universe* has been removed from Chicago to New-York. The *Universe* is a newspaper which announces that its design is to afford a wide range for expression of each writer's peculiar views, however ever extreme, revolutionary or even insane they may be, or appear to be.

The Hartford *Post* thinks the Yale crew would certainly beat the Harvards on a straight course, and much more decisively if the race should be for four miles, as "in every race of three miles yet rowed, when the Harvard crew has come in victorious, it has been exhausted at the end, while the Yale crew in each instance has been able to row another mile with ease."

Ex-Secretary WELLES has published a long letter, addressed to Secretary ROBESON, sharply criticising the latter's report, and eliciting with a recommendation that in future, previous to making communications to newspaper correspondents, he "personally investigate and possess himself of facts, and avoid unstatements and misrepresentations."

Judge LINTON STEPHENS has written a letter on the situation in Georgia, in which he objects to the whole scheme of reconstruction, has much to say bitterly of negroes, scalawags and carpet-baggers, and indulges in a superfluity of italics. He closes with the remark that perhaps he "really had done just as well not to begin," in which few will be inclined to disagree with him.

HENRY WELCOME was sentenced at Burlington, Vt., on Monday, to be hanged on the third Friday in January, 1871. He assaulted and beat to death Mr. PERRY RUSSELL, an old and respected citizen, in his own house, after he had retired to rest, and in the presence of his aged wife. He is 18 years old, and his purpose in committing the murder was robbery. The year intervening he is to pass in solitary confinement.

The San Francisco *Bulletin* once more asserts that if the industrious mechanics and laboring men who are unwillingly compelled to remain idle four months in the year in Chicago and other Eastern cities will come to California, they will, with very few exceptions, either as employers or employes, be well paid for every day in the year upon which they are willing to labor at farming, or in other mechanical operations for which they are competent.

The difference between the speed of elective transmissions of pure copper and gutta percha is stated on trustworthy authority to be two hundred million million million times. If the reader's mind can't quite grasp that difference, he is further told that it is about the same as that between the velocity of light and that of a body moving through one foot of space in six thousand seven hundred years. And if the reader don't believe it he can try the experiment.

A settler on the neutral lands recently wrote a letter to Governor HARVEY, of Kansas, demanding to know by whose authority troops are stationed thereon, and announcing that the settlers will defend their rights, their homes and their firesides, peaceably if they can, forcibly if they must. Governor HARVEY replied that he is responsible for all his official actions, and that if the writer desired further correspondence, he would be gratified upon conducting his letters in terms fit and proper for one gentleman to use in addressing another.

Mr. GEORGE B. PRESCOTT denies that two hundred words per minute have been transmitted by the automatic process on one wire over a circuit of two thousand miles, as stated in a pamphlet of the National Telegraph Company, unless a miracle was wrought in all of this patriotic experiment. On the authority of Professor Sir WILLIAM THOMSON, he states that the maximum speed obtainable on an aerial land line of two thousand miles in length, consisting of an iron wire one-fourth of an inch in diameter (No. 3 Birmingham gauge) is twenty words per minute, and that the retardation increases with the square of the length of the line. The same authority also says that the retardation increases with the square of the diameter of the wire.

In his letter to the Congressional Record Distribution Committee, Hon. JOHN SEGAR, Congressman elect from Virginia, says that there are very many excellent provisions in the new State Constitution, some being retained from the old, which meet the unqualified approval of the people of the State, and that, although there are some objectionable features, they can safely be trusted to subject it to a fair test of actual experiment before any attempt to change it is made. He adds that the people, being now convinced that the slavery question has been forever settled, have resolved with unexampled unanimity to adopt the Fifteenth Amendment, as the sure and only instrumentality to settle that question forever, and that in Virginia the policy of that amendment is now "as fixed as the eternal hills, and will remain a monument of the practical good sense and sagacity of the people until some unprecedented revolution shall sweep it from its constitutional moorings."

OUR SHIPPING INTERESTS.

Meeting of the Shipowners' Association—Important Opinion of the Counsel on Quarantine Regulations—Memorial on the Subject of American Commerce—Election on the Sale of Peerlessness.

At the regular meeting of the Shipowners' Association, at No. 11 Pine-street, yesterday afternoon, a communication was read from the counsel to the Association with regard to the Quarantine regulations, in which he says:

"It would, in my opinion, be utterly futile for the Association to take any steps at this time to obtain a change in the law. The political party in power have just elected into the Government of the State a majority of the members, and it is not likely that it would favor the abolition of a quarantine which, with the exception of resistance to all change in the law, has caused no serious inconvenience to the shipping, and prevents the introduction of pestilence and yellow fever, which would be a great sickly season, but while the time is unfavorable for a change in the law, it would be well to make a strong effort to secure the repeal of resistance to all illegal and unwarranted charges and exercise of illegal authority.

"I would not advise you to attempt at the present session of the Legislature to obtain any radical change in the laws, but to have mention a further reform in the laws, which I have suggested to many gentlemen, I think, would be supported by a strong and sickly party with which you are in the habit of acting, notwithstanding that resolutions may be said upon them. I do sincerely believe will receive your support, the fault is in the laws and not in the manner of their administration, which I will be able to go to the Legislature with a much stronger case than you can now."

The following letter was read:

PHILADELPHIA AND SOUTHERN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, NO. 120 SOUTH THIRD-STREET, PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31, 1869.

To the Superintendent of the Merchants' Exchange, No. 1 Wall-st., New-York:

DEAR SIR: Would you kindly ascertain from the members in whom you think it would be proper to ask it, whether building a floating electric telegraph on the line of the new in process of erection between England and Ireland for the purpose of giving the public notice of the approach of vessels within a few miles of Penzance, is not a matter of importance to the shipping interest of this port? It is to be derived by kinds and the sailing and vessels of all kinds, the loss of life and property annually. The vessels of Philadelphia would be the direct gainers, as they are now compelled to take the Mediterranean or the Cape of Good Hope, with the expense of sailing the extra distance, and every shipowner knows the loss of time in sailing round the Cape of Good Hope. The vessels of Philadelphia would be willing to pay their quota to the support of the telegraph, and I feel sure that the rest of the shipowners would be willing to do the same. If you think this matter of sufficient importance, and you would report favorably upon it, I will be happy to call on you and explain the advantages to be derived from the proposed line, which, I think, will be found to be of the greatest importance to the shipping interest of this port. I have the honor, &c., WALTER HEARN.

After an informal discussion the letter was laid over for further action.

Owing to some difference of opinion, the Committee appointed to prepare a report of the decline of American commerce have not yet been able to have the report and the matter was taken up and a protracted discussion ensued on it. The document, which has been considerably altered since the publication of the main point of interest, is to a month ago, was read by and HENCKEN, appointed to still further revise it before submitting it to the public in its altered condition. After some remarks on the opinion which the Association pledges itself to adhere to the present system of selling petroleum by gross gauge of cask.

Previous to adjournment, the following document was circulated for signature:

To the Honorable the Senate and Assembly of the State of New-York in the City of New-York:

The petition of the undersigned, merchants, shipowners, and other citizens of the City of New-York, respectfully shows: That for several years past the tonnage of the port of New-York, carried on in American vessels, has been steadily declining; that the number of vessels now employed in the national flag carrying out of and into said port is much less than it was before the breaking out of the rebellion; that the United States is now the only country of the civilized world in which the laws of the United States prohibit the transportation of goods, wares and merchandise from one port to another in the United States in foreign bottoms; that the Congress of the United States has not the power to remove the disabilities under which the American flag suffers, and your petitioners pray that your honorable bodies may take such action as will relieve them from many of the burdens now imposed upon them by the laws of the United States, and that you will use your influence with the Congress of the United States to remove the disabilities under which the American flag suffers, and your petitioners will ever pray.

And your petitioners further show that the compulsory provisions of the pilotage laws are peculiarly onerous to them. By these laws they are compelled to employ the same pilot who has piloted the vessel to do the service of pilotage for the preceding year, regard whatever being had to the competency of the shipowners. And as pertinent your petitioners respectfully to call your attention to the fact that they must by the present law pay for pilotage, whether they employ the pilot or not, and whether he does any service or not—a provision of law which your petitioners contend is an infraction of the rights as citizens of this State, and in direct hostility to the principles of freedom upon which American institutions are founded.

And your petitioners now respectfully pray that your honorable bodies will enact a law relieving your petitioners and the commerce of this State from the oppression of compulsory pilotage, and yet allowing to the pilots a fair, nay more, a liberal compensation for service as they may actually perform.

And your petitioners, &c., &c.

Cleaning Out Hell Gate.

The surveys on M. MAILLEFERT'S rocks at Hell Gate by the Government engineers have been greatly delayed by the recent unfavorable weather. It is said that thus far they have found no soundings less than eighteen feet and that the average depth is nineteen feet, which shows good work for Professor MAILLEFERT. He has certainly been laboring under disadvantages, and the non-fulfillment of his contract on time cannot be taken as a proof of the failure of his method of submarine operations.

It appears that the survey chart of one of his [illegible] shows the rocks at Hell Gate to be [illegible] Gate, and that the Government engineers have found the rocks to be [illegible] Gate. The Government engineers have found the rocks to be [illegible] Gate. The Government engineers have found the rocks to be [illegible] Gate. The

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COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM—JAN. 12.

Before Judges Daly, Loew and Van Brunt.

THE CREDITS ESTATE—WHAT IS GOING TO TAKE CARE OF AN ESTATE OF $38,000.

Harriet E. Christy vs. *James S. Libby.*—This case was up for argument before the General Term to-day on an appeal from the judgment of Judge DALY, rendered at Special Term. As will be remembered by the readers of the TIMES, there was a contest at the Surrogate's Court upon the application of the plaintiff to administer on the estate of her husband, but which was finally decided in her favor. During the litigation on that question, the defendant was appointed by the Surrogate collector or special administrator of the estate, so much such charge of the property and filed his inventory. In 1869 the defendant was called to the Surrogate's office, a balance of $3,110 (if subject to the Surrogate's order, or to be paid over to plaintiff) was ordered to be paid over, and was without notice to her or her counsel, the latter not appearing before the Surrogate otherwise than by sending his objection to the proceedings and the final order, and from the evidence taken in defending in the Court of Common Pleas, Judge Barrett, as Special Term, decided that there had been no fraud on the part of the defendant, the remaining charges of the action tried before him, that the proceedings had been regular, and that the payment had been made upon a party entitled to receive it, namely, the party who had been appointed by Judge Barrett, before whom the defendant should account, and was entitled to receive it, and he deemed his final examination in the last accounting, the plaintiff waived or content of the defendant, as such collector, charging himself with moneys paid, and not expected by him in collecting, preserving and protecting said property and effects, together with his legal commissions, and the balance due thereon, in some moneys from the estate, these the actual moneys received by the plaintiff, was a proper disbursement, and calculated, therefore, the Surrogate, on the ground that the accounting was the final, and that a large amount of expenditures claimed and were improperly allowed, and being satisfied by the Surrogate, that the plaintiff was a proper party to receive the balance of the property in the hands of the collector.

Exceptions had been taken and reserved.

As a matter of interest it may be proper to give here the sum of "protecting and preserving" the estate of $38,000, as shown by the account filed by the defendant:

Amount of property contained in inventory, $38,000 31
Deduct bad debts, errors in inventory, and in convertible property, 10,000 00
Balance, $28,000 31

The disbursements for the "protection" of this property are as follows:

Attorney on account,	50 00
Attorney on account,	100 00
J. Van Loan, attorney, on account,	200 00
J. W. Bell, for printing,	10 00
J. W. Bell, for printing,	27 00
J. C. Van Loan, attorney, on account,	200 00
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Counsel fees in a former case,	241 75
Chas. E. Smith, by order Supreme Court,	2,000 00
R. J. Blackmar,	2,000 00
Amos G. Hall,	500 00
Surrogate, by order Surrogate,	1,000 00
Surrogate, by order Surrogate,	500 00
D. A. Bell, for service subpoenas, &c.,	10 00
J. C. Van Loan, attorney,	200 00
Amos G. Hall,	200 00
Hall & Childs,	100 00

After deducting these disbursements, there is left for the widow $3,110 67, but the commissions of the collector,

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 12, 1870.

FIRST BOARD—10½ A. M.

$4,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	118⅝	100 Mich. Cen. R.	112⅞
500 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	113⅛	100 West. Un. Tel.	93⅝
5,000 do.	113⅛	600 do.	93⅝
1,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	113⅛	27 do.	93⅝
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	113⅛	116 do. bot. cash	93⅝
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	113⅛	200 Mariposa Pf.	37⅞
128,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67,	113	100 Pac. Mail,	40⅛
do.	115	400 do.	40⅛
20,000 do.	bt 113⅛	50 Boston W. P.	14⅞
10,000 do.	113⅛	100 Cent. Coal Pf.	27⅞
100,000 do.	sh 114⅛	100 Wells, Fargo,	33
1,500 U. S. 5-20 R., '67,	116	100 A. M. U. Ex.	88
1,000 do.	114⅞	100 U. S. Ex.	81
1,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '68,	114⅞	200 N. Y. C. & H. R.	97⅞
16,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.,	112⅛	100 N. Y. C. & H. R.	97⅞
10,000 do.	112⅛	2,000 do.	97⅞
20,000 Tenn. 6s, new,	64⅞	100 Erie,	20⅞
20,000 do.	64⅞	100 do.	20⅞
20,000 do.	bt. cash	100 Reading,	93⅞
10,000 N. C. 6s, old,	42	100 do.	93⅞
2,000 do.	42⅛	52 Mich. Cen.	116
5,000 N. Carl. 6s, new,	40	100 R. S. & M. S. R.	69⅞
10,000 do.	24⅞	200 do.	69⅞
20,000 do.	24⅞	100 do.	bt 69⅞
20,000 do.	24⅞	100 Ill. Cen.	122⅞
25,000 do.	24⅞	100 do.	122⅞
6,000 Mo. 6s, ex.	87⅞	100 Chev. & Pitts.	38⅞
17,000 La. 6s, Lev. R.,	66	100 do.	38⅞
4,000 do.	66	100 do.	38⅞
2,000 La. 6s,	71	100 do.	bt. cash 38⅞
5,000 La. 6s, Lev. Bds.	61	100 do.	38⅞
5,000 Mo. 6s, H. & St. Jos.	71	100 C. & N. W. R.	74⅞
do.	bt 70	100 do.	74⅞
10,000 N. Y. N. H. & H.	240	100 do.	74⅞
do.	bt. cash 240	100 do.	74⅞
200 N. Y. Cen. 6s, '83,	97⅞	200 do.	74⅞
2,000 Erie 2d M.	80	100 do.	74⅞
1,000 Ill. Cen. 8s,	106	100 Chi. & R. W. Pf.	86⅞
4,000 Union Pac. R. 1st M.	91⅞	100 do.	86⅞
2,000 do.	91⅞	100 N. J. Cen. R.	89⅞
4,000 C. & R. I. & P. R. 7s,	94	100 do.	89⅞
5,000 Chic. & P. M. M.	90	100 Chi. & R. I. R.	102⅞
5,000 M. & S. S. E. 7s 1-10 Coup.	91	100 do.	102⅞
5,000 Col. C. & Ind. C. 7s,	80	100 do.	102⅞
2,000 Erie 2d M.	80	100 do.	102⅞
1,000 Mor. & Ess. 7s,	95	100 do.	102⅞
4,000 Col. C. & Ind. C. 1st M.	75	100 T. W. & W.	55⅞
do.	72⅞	200 do.	55⅞
20 Bk. of Commerce,	120	100 do.	55⅞
50 Broadway Bk.	120	100 P. Ft. W. & Chi.	79
25 Amer. Ex. Bank,	115	100 do.	79
25 Metropolitan Bk.	124⅞	100 Ohio & Miss.	32⅞
10 Park Bank,	120	100 do.	32⅞
100 Park Nat. Bank,	105⅞	100 Chi. & Alton,	125
20 do.	105⅞	100 Chi. & Alt. Pf.	146
20 do.	105⅞	100 Mar. & Essex,	46⅞
20 North N. Bank,	60⅞	100 do.	46⅞
20 Bakery & Erlw' A.	103⅞	100 do.	46⅞
20 do.	103⅞	50 H. & St. J. R. Pf.	112⅞
20 do.	103⅞	100 Col. C. & I. C. R.	15⅞
20 Ninth Nat. Bank	103	100 Del. L. & W. R.	106⅞

SECOND BOARD—12 M. AND 2½ P. M.

$20,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	118⅞	$2,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, n.	114⅞
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	113⅞	10,000 do.	114⅞
5,000 do.	113⅞	5,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	112
20,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	113⅞	10,000 do.	112⅞
11,000 do.	113⅞	1,000 do.	112⅞
4,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '66,	114	20,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67,	113⅞
6,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67,	113⅞		

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$20,000 Tenn. 6s, ex.	65	10 Mich. Cen. R.	117⅞
20,000 do.	65⅞	100 L. S. & M. S. R.	69⅞
10,000 N. C. 6s, ex.	42⅞	100 do.	69⅞
10,000 do.	42⅞	200 Cent. C. Pf.	27⅞
5,000 La. 6s, Lev. Bs.	66	100 do.	27⅞
10,000 Erie R. R. W. L.	84⅞	100 do.	27⅞
6,000 L. S. & M. S. Coup.	91	100 do.	27⅞
do.	91⅞	100 do.	27⅞
5,000 do.	91⅞	100 do.	27⅞
10,000 Chi. C. & I. C.	75⅞	100 do.	27⅞
10,000 do

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RUY BLAS. Leading characters by Mr. Charles Fechter, Mr. Shewell, Miss Carlotta Le Clercq, and Mrs. Bradshaw.

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Broadway, corner 13th-st.
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The Bonaparte-Noir tragedy continues to absorb attention in Paris. M. DE FONVIELLE, who accompanied M. NOIR, gives his version of the fatal interview, in which the Prince is represented to have been violent and insulting from the first, and to have been the assailant by striking M. NOIR in the face, and, at the same time, drawing his pistol and firing it with the muzzle close to M. NOIR's breast.... A violent attack upon the BONAPARTE family, signed by M. ROCHEFORT, appeared in the *Marseillaise* on Tuesday, and another yesterday morning, resulted in the seizure of the entire issue by the authorities.... Rev. JAMES FRAZER, who visited the United States to examine the public school system, has been made Bishop of Manchester, England.... Harmony is again restored between the Sultan and the Viceroy of Egypt.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, gave notice of the action of the Legislature of this State on the Fifteenth Amendment. Mr. SUMNER introduced a bill to fund the national debt, to extend banking privileges, and facilitate a return to specie payments. The Virginia discussion was resumed, the leading Republican Senators participating. During the debate, Mr. SUMNER presented a memorial, signed by a number of citizens of Virginia, asserting that the recent election was illegal; that the promises of the representatives of the State were insincere, and that Governor WALKER is a rebel in disguise. No action was taken on the bill.

In the House notice was also given of the action of the State Legislature on the Fifteenth Amendment. The bill for the transfer of the Philadelphia Navy Yard to League Island, introduced on Monday, was debated during the morning hour, but not disposed of. The Virginia bill was discussed up to adjournment.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday the measures introduced were bills to abolish the Contracting Board and the existing system of repairing the canals by contract; to repeal the New-York City License law, and to light the Central Park roads with gas. The Conspiracy act was received from the House for concurrence, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee, having failed of a reference to the Committee of the Whole.

In the ASSEMBLY the bill amending the Conspiracy law was passed. A bill was introduced to prohibit the sale of hay, straw, &c., from stationary vessels lying at the piers of New-York City. A resolution was adopted instructing the Committee on City Affairs to report a bill "to restore their local Governments and to abolish Commissions;" also one instructing the Committee on Commerce to report a bill to improve the wharves and docks of New-York. The bill to extend the time for the collection of excise fees in New-York was amended by making the time June 1 next, and passed.

GENERAL.

Governor HOFFMAN has appointed Hon. A. MELVILLE OSBORN, of Catskill, to be County Judge of Greene County, in place of Hon. JOHN DEWEY, deceased.

A State Temperance Convention was held yesterday in Concord, N. H., at which Rev. L. O. BARROWS was nominated for Governor, and Colonel H. O. PEARCE for Railroad Commissioner. About one-fourth of the delegates seceded, held a separate meeting, and adopted a resolution expressing dissent from the action of the Convention.

The Kansas Legislature met yesterday at Topeka and completed the organization of both branches. A young lady was elected Enrolling Clerk, and all the officers of the House are wounded soldiers and the widows or orphans of soldiers.

The father of Senator CHANDLER, of Michigan, died in Bedford, N. H., recently, at the age of 96.

The Castleton (Vt.) National Bank was robbed on Monday night of $8,400.

General REYNOLDS, commanding in Texas, communicates to the War Department the adoption of the Constitution and the election of E. J. DAVIS, Governor, and the rest of his ticket, who have also been appointed officers of the Provisional Government.

The first State dinner of the season was given by the President at the White House last evening. The guests consisted of ladies and gentlemen in equal numbers.

Twelve of the Spanish gunboats reached Fortress Monroe in safety, yesterday.

JAMES KELLY was sentenced to death, in Washington, yesterday, for the murder of JOHN MARDER, in July last, the execution to take place March 11.

Hon. WILLIAM MCDOUGALL has arrived in Ottawa, Ont., from the Red River region.

The Canadian members of the Papal Zouaves, whose term of service has expired, will return to Canada after Easter.

The Georgia Legislature, yesterday, adjourned after swearing in a few more members.

LOCAL.

An interesting argument was commenced yesterday in the Supreme Court, General Term, involving some highly interesting principles of international law and, also as a matter of fact, showing how, during the war, the Confederate soldiers were furnished with uniforms and other army goods.

The argument in the case of the Bowen will, already published in our columns, was concluded yesterday by Mr. WM. M. EVARTS and Mr. S. P. NASH, in behalf of the Duryea interest, and by Mr. JAMES C. HAYES for the plaintiff. The decision of the Court on the motion to continue the injunction was reserved.

In the Court of General Sessions before Judge BENSON yesterday, a boy named ADOLPHUS LOHMAN was arraigned for stealing an overcoat from STEWART W. FREEMAN, of No. 83 Eighth-avenue. He was sent to the Island for six months. Another boy, named JOHN CAMPBELL, was sent to the House of Refuge for having stolen a watch at No. 199 Bleecker-street.

The Board of Education met yesterday for the first time in 1870. R. L. LARRABEE, Esq., was reelected President. Appointments were made of teachers in the Daily, Normal and High School.

A newly organized German Ladies' Aid Society for the Support and completion of the German Hospital of this City, met at Mission Hall, No. 97 Greenwich-street, last night, Mrs. CHARLOTTE BURRIS presiding. Directors and a Board of Trustees of the Society were elected.

Plain Truth About the Income Tax.

It is very clear that the *Tribune* does not know what it means when it treats of financial questions. It opens an old bag stuffed with various crotchets, and gets itself so muddled among them that it can scarcely tell one from the other. Is there an intelligent boy in any public school in this country who is incapable of perceiving the fallacy contained in the following definition by the *Tribune* of its "views?"

"The NEW-YORK TIMES over and again asserts that we propose the abolition of the income tax. We have already corrected this misstatement. We propose the abolition of no tax—none whatever. By the law, as it stands the income tax is to be assessed and collected once more, and that is the end of it. We think it right that it be not reimposed."

How is it possible to treat this sort of argument seriously? Is not the extinction of a tax the same thing as its abolition? Or can you do utterly away with anything without abolishing it? The *Tribune* says, "We don't ask you to *abolish* the income tax—only don't put it on any more." It might in precisely the same way say to an agent in its employ, "We don't say that we will not pay you any more salary, only after next Saturday you need not come here again." To recommend that a tax shall not be collected again is precisely the same thing as to recommend its abolition; but the *Tribune* smiles in sweet complacency over its quibble, and thinks that in constructing a ludicrous paradox it has solved a financial problem. We never remember to have seen reasoning so absurd put forward on a question of public interest. It is worthy of the famous Jack Bunsby himself. Let us put the positions taken up by the *Tribune* in a short form and one after the other:

1. We do not say abolish the income tax.
2. Only, never levy the tax again.
3. We are opposed to the reduction of taxation, believing that we ought to pay the debt first.
4. But—take off fifty millions of taxation at once.

Can any conjurer invent a better hocus-pocus than this? And yet the *Tribune* is sublimely unconscious of the inconsistencies into which it wanders. It goes running after first one will-o'-the-wisp and then another, and tumbles into bog after bog with as much satisfaction as if it were on the road to Paradise itself. We can understand that the *Tribune's* legerdemain may confuse a few ignorant or beetle-headed readers. But how can it pretend to tell intelligent men that in demanding the withdrawal of a tax it does not ask for its abolition? It might as well advise us all to say to the Government at once: "We don't ask you to do without revenue—but we won't pay any more taxes."

The *Tribune* says the income tax is collected dishonestly. Then get rid of your dishonest Collectors. If the *Tribune* had a tenant who was dishonest, would it burn its own house down to get rid of him, or adopt the less eccentric method of giving the tenant notice to quit?

Again, our contemporary objects that the tax is unequal in its operation. So are all taxes when you come to look into them. It is harder for the poor man to pay tax upon coal than for the rich man. We have ourselves shown some special inequalities of the income tax which ought to be leveled away. They, however, are not the fault of the impost, but only of the blundering, chaotic manner in which it is levied. Half of our taxes were applied by the rule of thumb. Scarcely anybody knew anything about such subjects. It is very hard—as a correspondent in one of our banks truly says—that a widow should have to pay five per cent. to the Government on her dividend of, say, a thousand dollars, without deduction—while those who receive income from other sources may make many deductions. This hardship is the result of sheer stupidity. A practiced financier would rectify all such injustices in a week. Again, it proves nothing against the merits of any tax to say that some people evade it while others are obliged to pay it. The very same thing may be said of all taxes.

It may not be possible to obtain an absolutely true return of income from every man. But it is quite possible to prevent a rich man avoiding the tax altogether. One of the first duties of a Government is to collect its revenue. If ours has not yet succeeded in regard to the income tax, it must try over again; but until we get men engaged in the work who understand their business, we shall have to grope about in the darkness.

The *World* appears to think that it has adduced an unanswerable case against the income tax when it quotes certain passages from speeches of Mr. GLADSTONE adverse to it. It seems to us that a short answer disposes of this line of argument. Although Mr. GLADSTONE sees many objections to the income tax, he is obliged to keep reimposing it—he did so a few months ago, and will do so again next March or April. Precisely the same is it with our own Government. It wants a revenue, and to raise that revenue it has brought into existence an exceedingly elaborate and complex system of taxation. It has taxed articles innumerable; it has heavily taxed the industry of the country, the food we eat, the clothes we wear; it has taxed everything we can buy, make, grow or import. Among other things it has taxed income. We say now that the time has come for the reduction of this large burden of taxation. The *Tribune* says "no" and "yes" in the same breath; take off no taxes till the debt is fully funded; take off fifty millions instantly. We cannot reconcile that inconsistency, but what we do contend for is this: If we can lessen the taxes by fifty millions, do not study the interests of only one set of taxpayers, especially when the set is the very one which can best afford to pay taxes. Lower the income tax by all means. Do not make any man pay so much upon earnings as upon realized property. But remember these few points: 1. The income tax, unlike many other taxes, does not restrict trade or cripple commerce. 2. It is not so burdensome as taxes upon necessaries of life. 3. It falls upon the rich rather than upon the poor. 4. It is a tax for the benefit of Government, not of monopolists, whereas too many of our imposts fall under the latter category. Lastly, it would be unfair to take off the whole of the income tax until you have reduced the taxes which press heavily and harshly upon the poorer classes, or which injuriously affect the mercantile interests of the country—as, for example, the duties on food and clothing, and upon the raw material of a great variety of manufactures.

The New Era in France.

The Ollivier Ministry has more than justified the anticipations which we expressed regarding the probable vigor and independence of its policy. The bold departure which has been made from Napoleonic ideas, at the very outset of its career, is no less characteristic of the eminent personal talents of its members than of their determination to seek the maintenance of their power in the support of the mass of the people. The steadfast adhesion to the dismissal of Baron HAUSSMANN was the first notable proof given by the new Cabinet of a resolve to disregard the wishes of the Emperor when they run counter to measures of public utility. The threatened impeachment by the advanced Liberals of the ex-Prefect of the Seine is a tolerably convincing proof that his removal was dictated by sound policy. The large reduction which it is proposed to make in the force of the standing army is another step as completely at variance with the late Imperial *régime* as it is urgently demanded for the welfare of France, and the cause of peace in Europe. Were other proofs needed to show how completely the new Ministers have emancipated themselves from the traditions of personal government, they will be found in the first decisive step to complete liberty of the Press—the abolition of the censorship as regards foreign journals—in the proposed abrogation of the vexatious and arbitrary law of general surety, and in the extension of the late political amnesty to refugees whose offences against Imperialism have been of the deepest dye. While showing, on the one hand, a decided departure from Imperialism, the Ollivier Cabinet presents a firm front to the demands of the irreconcilable party on the other. The significant declaration of its chief: "We are justice, law, moderation; if you force us we will be power," is sufficient evidence that the new Ministry is prepared to maintain a consistent medium between contending forces, and to subordinate all other claims to the highest interests of national well-being.

The official declaration of the Cabinet to their representatives abroad can scarcely have been required to convince the Powers of Europe that the foreign policy of France has entered on a more pacific phase than hitherto. An Administration which concentrates its efforts upon measures of internal reform, and which seeks to embody the spirit of intelligent liberalism, is but little likely to be influenced by lust of conquest or by jealousy of the territorial growth of its neighbors. The French nation has paid too dearly, both in treasure and personal liberty, for military glory, to be very desirous of provoking fresh conflicts, and a Government which truly represents it will have little difficulty in putting an end to the position of armed menace which France at present occupies. The Administration may suffer in external prestige by such a course, but it will be more than rewarded by the renewed internal prosperity which must follow the removal of an incubus of taxation which is deadening the energies of the country and drying up the sources of its vitality.

It must not, however, be assumed that the will of the Emperor has become an entirely negative quantity in French politics. The extent of his apparent acquiescence cannot safely be accepted as the measure of his future power, and in speculating on the continuance of a responsible Administration his support must be taken into account, as well as the character of the Ministry and the confidence of the nation. The best security against the interference of the Chief of the State consists in the fact of the future of the Napoleonic dynasty being bound up with that of Parliamentary Government. In an Empire presided over by a strong and capable Ministry which had earned the confidence of the representatives of the people, the accession of a boy and the regency of a woman might be possible events, while under no other conceivable circumstance could they be so. The Emperor owes it to his own fame, to France, and to Europe at large, that he should aid in restoring to self-government the country which he claims to have saved from anarchy.

Convicts and their Wages.

It will not be the fault of the Governor, or of the Press, which has already so freely and fully commented on the Governor's Message, if the question of Prison Discipline shall fail to be thoroughly investigated, and our prison systems made to conform more nearly to the spirit of the age.

There is one important point, however, which we do not remember to have seen urged anywhere in the recent discussion, though it was suggested in our columns a twelvemonth ago, *apropos* of Governor HOFFMAN's first Message, touching the best uses of the prisoners' earnings. It is now agreed on all hands, apparently, that the contract system of labor has been perverted from its original purpose to be a mere tool for contractors. Vicious inherently, it has had grafted upon it sundry abuses which render it hurtful to the State, harmful to the convicts and a nuisance to neighborhoods. In the interests of discipline, therefore, to say nothing of the complaints of local honest laborers and mechanics, it is likely to be discontinued. But the question then comes regarding the proper substitute.

It has always seemed to us that one of the best uses to put a part of the convict's earnings to was to save them for himself. We do not mean that the prison is to be turned into a place for "making money," and a premium offered thereby for crime, but we mean that it is a wise policy to encourage the convict to labor, and to lay up for himself the means of honorable livelihood and the appliances for a fresh start in life. According to our present system, what do we see? Convicts are continually discharged, at the expiration of their terms, "with no visible means of support"—almost enough in itself to justify their apprehension again as vagrants. They are turned loose, without means to support themselves—usually without homes, without friends, and with the prison taint upon them. Suppose a convict, honestly bent on reforming and living a useful life, sets about doing it—what is his experience? He usually finds it hard to get employment. When asked "where his last place of work was?" if he tells the truth, he says "the jail," and in two cases out of three is rejected. If he tells a lie, it is soon discovered, and again he is rebuffed and turned out of employ. The community is not to blame for being unwilling to harbor in its shops and by its firesides a man fresh from a criminal's cell, and usually there is no time to make reference to the prison officials, and little faith is put in them. With so many occupations overcrowded, the convict makes his way with heavy heart in search of employment, and often in sheer desperation is driven back to crime, merely to get his bread.

We do not pretend that this state of things can be wholly remedied; but we do believe it could be remedied in part by furnishing to the convict the wherewithal to live even for a brief interim, until he can reestablish himself—even the means to take himself away from his old haunts and to settle elsewhere. We know what means are adopted to this end—how wisely they are devised and how well they work. But what we think still more desirable is that the convict himself may have a larger share of his earnings set aside for this purpose, so that his entrance again into society shall not be abrupt and troublesome, but with hope and help abundant at hand.

All this, too, could be effected by setting aside but a slight percentage of earnings. The additional rest given to labor would tell all through the prison, and the State would be the gainer while the other object would be also accomplished. We all know how the similar invention of rewards for good conduct by shortening terms or by discharging a certain percentage once a year before the expiration of terms, has worked in practice, in many institutions. This present is a scheme not unlike the other. It makes it for the interest of the industrious to have good order and industry the rule in the prison; and by making known to the prisoners from time to time how their little fortunes are accumulating, a totally different sentiment will be stirred from those commonly appealed to now.

Canal and Railroad Traffic.

The decline of trade in Buffalo, of which so much has been recently said, seems to be regarded as an abnormal rather than a natural event, incident to the development of the railroad system. There is really no difficulty in explaining it, heavy as the falling off is from 72,000,000 bushels of grain, received in 1868, to only 56,000,000 in 1869. Something of this may be attributed to the changing crops of different years, and something to the exorbitant charges of Buffalo forwarders in full seasons, which have steadily tended to open competing routes of transit. But the real cause is in the indifference which Buffalo capital manifested years ago to the construction of railroads passing either to the north or to the south of that locality. The Great Western Railroad of Canada, the Suspension Bridge, the Grand Trunk Railway, the Erie, the Atlantic and Great Western, the Pennsylvania Central, the Baltimore and Ohio, and now the Midland Road of New-York, were all built in the hope of securing something of the rich trade that naturally centred at the foot of Lake Erie.

The lake traffic has been tapped at Dunkirk, Erie, Cleveland, Toledo, Detroit and Chicago. The area tributary to Buffalo, which once extended to Kentucky on the south and Kansas on the west, has been reduced in its proportions to a comparatively small territory. Oswego, also, always a sharp competitor, and making the most of its advantages, has, through the Welland Canal, drawn off a large amount of the grain receipts; while Cape Vincent, Ogdensburg, and finally the St. Lawrence River, have subtracted from that vast fleet that once crowded the busy harbor of Buffalo.

Our neighbors at the western end of the State are anxious to restore their lost prosperity. We at the east have a common interest with them, and with Oswego, but we wish to define that interest and ascertain just how far New-York can wisely go in aiding their movements and sustaining their policy. It may be assumed at the outset that all the commerce of both Buffalo and Oswego is tributary to this City. The same may be said of Dunkirk, but beyond that the lake produce may be and is diverted to Philadelphia and Baltimore on the south, and to Boston, Portland and Montreal on the north. It is true that New-York has also lines of railroad terminating at all the important ports of the upper lakes, but they are not there by a vigorous and able competition, while a cargo of grain once under the spout of a Buffalo or Oswego elevator is sure to come to us. The policy, then, of New-York should be twofold. It should not only extend and reinvigorate its railway communication with the West, but should also lend every effort to perfect the water way, which, even in its present depressed condition, is the main reliance of the Western trade. All that the New-York lake ports get must come to New-York harbor, on its way to either a foreign or domestic market, and that is more than can be said for any port west of Dunkirk, no matter how ample and efficient our railway communication may be.

Nor should it be forgotten that another source of loss to our trade, as well as that of the lakes, has been developed at St. Louis, in the erection of elevators there and at New-Orleans to carry on a direct grain export to Europe. Chicago already sensibly feels this alienation of the cereals of the Mississippi Valley. We may reason, and justly, that a grain-carrying trade cannot be ultimately successful under the heats of the tropics; but while we reason our competitors act, and once embarked in such an enterprise, they may find means to overcome its difficulties. As it stands now, it is an attempt by shrewd and ambitious men to turn the commerce of the great valley down its natural water way to the Gulf of Mexico, just as Canada has endeavored, and with a partial success, to make the St. Lawrence the outlet to the shipping and produce of the lakes. We have no reason to fear the competition of any of the ports of our Atlantic coast. Montreal and New-Orleans alone are really our rivals. The business they get is taken from us. It may not be very much, but a great centre like New-York, which reaches out in every direction, should play for the whole game and recognize frankly every element of competition. It is not a grasping policy which we advocate, but one of a secure and constantly expanding commerce, relying as much upon its own manly energies as upon the accident of locality.

Out of this generalization comes one self-evident truth. It is the policy of New-York as a city to promote especially the prosperity of the lake ports of the State, and to restore the grandeur of the lake commerce. Definite measures will probably develop themselves during the session of the Legislature; it may be in Mr. HATCH's scheme for funding the canal debt and opening the trunk canals to an almost unrestricted use, at tolls only sufficient to meet their current expenses and repairs, or in some other line of policy, such as new and stronger efforts at railroad extension and equipment. The latter, however, will go on in any event. The vast enterprise that has gridironed New-Jersey and made all roads lead to New-York—as the proverb says they do to Rome—will not relax. The Midland Road is beginning to be comprehended as a most important tributary, and its success seems to be assured. But it is only one of many, and our present object is to call attention to the necessity of some policy on the part of the City and the State at large that will build anew and maintain the supremacy of our tributary lake ports. Let us be wisely selfish, and not deem ourselves too generous when we are acting in the line of our own growth and advancement.

Mr. KELLY, of Pennsylvania, is in one way or another closely identified with the monopolies of his State,—he is, in fact, as much interested in them as if he were a paid spokesman on their behalf. Under these circumstances it is amusing to hear him accuse Mr. WELLS of being the advocate of the foreign "steel interest." He says that we ought not to listen to Mr. WELLS' statements, because his mind is biased by free trade—while at the same time we all know that Mr. KELLY is strongly biased on the other side. So that the most Mr. KELLY proves is that an impartial opinion is not to be expected from him or Mr. WELLS. Why not attack Mr. WELLS' statements and leave his motives alone?

A journal which published on Tuesday last an abstract of the *Alabama* correspondence as it appeared in its own pages about three weeks ago, now gives us some fresh "news." The British Minister at Washington has stated that England will not object to give up its possessions in North America by way of settling the *Alabama* claims. We are glad to hear it. That will be a very pleasant solution of the difficulty. Only we should like to know when, where, and why Mr. THORNTON made a newspaper reporter his confidant on this subject? What has induced Mr. THORNTON to announce a policy which his Government has shown no great eagerness to sanction? We are half afraid the *Herald* is trying to impose upon us—as it did when it told us of the wonderful jackals which its correspondent saw flying about in the air at Cuba. Suppose it comes down to fact, and gives us another summary—the third—of the *Alabama* correspondence?

Mr. BRIGHT has made a speech in favor of a repeal of the Union and Irish independence. That, at least, is the point to which all his arguments tend, although he shrunk back from the conclusion. He says that the present proprietorship of land in Ireland is confiscation—the result of conquest. Then, we have a right to answer, give up the land—restore the property which you have confiscated. Mr. BRIGHT is a Cabinet Minister, and he dare not recommend that measure. But his speech is as much the speech of a "Repealer" as ever DAN O'CONNELL could have made. The telegram makes Mr. BRIGHT say, "the 200,000 policemen and soldiers must be withdrawn from Ireland." It will probably be news to the British Government that it has so many armed men in its pay.

General NEWTON's two plans are likely to make some impression on that old *bête noir* of the upper Narrows. The mining from Hallett's Point will do its own work; but the Diamond Reef and the Frying-pan must be attacked on the top—not in Mr. MAHLMANN's way of surface blasting, but by the old fashion of drilling holes for the explosives. The machinery now arranged for the purpose is heavy enough to counteract the currents—the great punishers of the old attempts—for the difficulty, all along, has been found more in the water than the stone. With the steadying of the apparatus and the working of the drills within their iron inclosure, in still water, we do not see why the engineer may not give a very good account of that ridge in a short time; though, to be sure, our usual style of public works has taught us to exercise a large degree of patience in respect to such matters.

We notice inquiries among our contemporaries for the usual report of the Secretary of the Navy, with its accompanying documents. The bare report of that officer we have had, but the important documents to which he refers, and on which it is based, have not yet been submitted to Congress and the country. On the other hand, the War Report, which makes a stout volume, with very valuable papers to guide opinion and legislation, has been promptly published, as usual, and has already been studied and discussed. The documents connected with Secretary ROBESON's report are absolutely necessary for Congressmen and for the people to have at once, in order to enlighten them regarding the important measures proposed for legislation. The publication would be comparatively useless after the appropriations, and the earlier it is made the better. We have as yet heard no satisfactory explanation offered for the delay.

A law to prevent the Sound steamers from putting up at the North River wharves would seem a hard measure for the owners of them; but the East River is surely the most proper, and even profitable, place for them. These vessels, if they go fast, are likely to strike against the other craft and the ferry boats; and if they go slow, we are told, they are just as likely to do the same or worse; so that, considering the crowded state of the channel in general, it would be a great relief if the Sound leviathans would stop at the east end of Corlear's Hook. The stopovers need not be so anxious for the roundabout voyage, seeing that one side of New-York is so near the other; while the tendencies of trade consequent on the improvement of Hell Gate make it their interest to establish wharves on the eastern side of the City.

The latest Paris news renders it evident that the extremists will make all possible use of Prince BONAPARTE's very rash conduct—rash, that is, in a political sense. ROCHEFORT gains precisely what was needed, the opportunity of a new martyrdom. He denounces the Prince as a ruffian, and by assailing the whole Imperial family as cutthroats and assassins, seeks to involve the Emperor himself in responsibility for what will be regarded as a crime, even upon his counsel's own showing. M. OLLIVIER himself is, moreover, placed in a very embarrassing position. The seizure of the *Marseillaise* was, as it were, forced upon the Government, and the latest intimation by the Minister to the Corps Legislatif may indicate still sterner measures. It seems that Prince BONAPARTE is amenable to the civil Courts, for by the decree of succession, promulgated in 1863, he is not technically one of the "Imperial family," but only one of "the Emperor's family;" and this distinction is coupled with the declaration that he, and the other branches not in the direct line of succession as established by the decree, are but simple subjects. If, therefore, he is accorded the rights thus defined, and no more, the people may be satisfied that the justice of the case has been met.

What with fog already here, and ice which we have a dim faith will some time come, it is very comforting to learn that progress is making on, or rather towards, the East River Bridge. We are told that the contract for the caissons is signed, and the caissons themselves are in process of construction. They are to form the foundation of the tower on the Brooklyn shore, from which the bridge is to hang. "Five years" is the time estimated for the completion of the whole structure. It is a grand enterprise, and, if successful, will be a marvel of engineering skill; but it involves no new problems in mechanics, and calls for no new appliances to render the result doubtful. All that is needed is patience and a long purse. The character of the shores makes the problem of the approaches a difficult one, more especially as the two cities are so densely populated in those regions. The bridge, however, will relieve the ferries without superseding them.

The discussions in Indiana upon the Divorce law of that State, and the recommendations of Governor BAKER upon the subject, have led to the publication of the law itself, so that the allegations generally brought may be tested by the facts. The grounds of application for divorce are substantially those of other States, but the part of the law which is capable of misuse is that relating to the proceedings before trial of cases. If the defendant resides in the State, he or she must be served with notice personally or at the residence. If the residence be beyond the State, notice of the petition shall be advertised in some weekly paper within the county where the plaintiff resides. And the trial is to take place at the first Circuit Term after thirty days more. So that the defendant may never hear of the petition, and be divorced in complete ignorance of the proceeding. It is true that where a suit remains undefended it is the duty of the Prosecuting Attorney to undertake such defence. But where a lawyer has no material, he has no defence to make, and the provision is quite useless. Two or three affidavits settle the whole business on the plaintiff's side. The framers of the law may have thought that they were only providing a simple measure of relief in cases of desertion. Now that Indiana has been made use of for years, by fugitives for the purpose from all over the Union, the extent of the mischief begins to be appreciated.

We take it that JESSE D. BRIGHT is not a name for whom loyal parents care to name their children. But even he has shown that he can do something a little meaner and a little more contemptible than anything he ever did before. In the Kentucky Legislature on Monday a bill was introduced to charter a benevolent association to be known as the Abraham Lincoln Lodge No. 8 of Covington, when BRIGHT sprang to his feet with a motion that the bill be referred back to the Committee with instructions to change the name, as he could vote for no chartered corporation bearing that title. For the credit of Kentucky Mr. BRIGHT would do well to pack his carpet bag once more and go, with all who indorsed him, straightway to the Feejee Islands.

Public opinion and the law having alike proved powerless to check the horrible frequency of railroad accidents, science comes to the rescue. A "Life Preserving Railroad Car" is a queer notion, but a suggestive one, and were it effective, in America at least, it would find abundant sphere for usefulness. Peace's "preventive" for railroad accidents was to the point—namely, to set a railway director on every dow catcher; but we believe it was never practically carried into effect. The design in the new invention is said to be to make the cars dirt-proof, and so avoid danger by burning; and to make them so strong as to prevent the loss of life by splintering and destruction to collisions. The frame is made of soft steel rods, which, it is alleged, will not break by bending, as wood and cast iron do. An indestructible car would seem to be not only desirable for passengers, but, to benefit to the "accident insurance" interest, and indeed to railroad companies themselves, to save their rolling stock—more especially on those roads which are in the habit of "telescoping" their cars now and then in full-speed collisions.

A strange complication arises in Alabama which may call for reconstruction in a new phase. The Supreme Court of that State has decided that marriages solemnized therein during the war are null and void. The reasons given are that the Probate Judges were not Judges in the legal sense, and could not legally issue marriage licenses. All such given during the period named were invalid! Nor can the Legislature (so says the Court) ratify a judgment pronounced, or action done, by illegal authority. This announcement will carry dismay into a great many households, no doubt, and unless some contrary conclusion were arrived at in some way, would give rise to considerable litigation. Still, there is such a thing left as common sense, and we do not think that this matrimonial complication is altogether insurmountable. The States control their own arrangements with regard to marriage, as also divorce, and if the Alabama Legislature cannot by some special action remove all doubts of the legality of the unions in question, it will hardly be regarded as a Legislature worthy of the name.

ARCTIC EXPLORATIONS.

Some Account of the German Expedition—Its Plans and Purposes—Letter to Captain Hall from M. Lindeman.

Captain HALL, the Arctic explorer, has received the following letter from the Secretary to the Bremen Committee of the German Polar Expedition:

BREMEN, Dec. 20, 1869.

To Captain Charles Francis Hall, Arctic Explorer, New-York:

HONORABLE SIR: As Secretary of the Bremen Committee of the German Arctic Exploring Expedition, I have the honor to send you herewith a short account of the plan of our expedition, which left Bremen and the German shores on the 15th of June, 1869, in two ships, a steamer and a sailing vessel. I presume that you, dear Sir, as an experienced and celebrated Arctic explorer, will have a peculiar interest in our enterprise. You will see from reports that the ships are provisioned for two years. Their plan is to reach the eastern coast of Greenland this year, and during the next Summer to go as far north as possible, either by land or water. Ships were seen last on the 1st of August, in latitude 72° north and longitude 16° west Greenwich. According to the account received from whalers cruising in those regions at that time we have reason to believe that the ships will have succeeded in passing the ice fields which surround the eastern coast of Greenland, so that after wintering the expedition might have a good chance of exploring those unknown regions further north than has ever been reached by any one before. To the Bremen Committee it is interesting in the mean, while to get every new account of Arctic travel, even from foreign countries. I presume that you will have drawn up a report of your sojourn in those regions and given it to some newspaper or society. We should be very glad if you would kindly send us such a report. You intend, I understand, to return next year to the Arctic regions. In this case, if you would greatly gratify us if you would give us notice when you go and where you are going. We may trouble you with some letters to our Arctic friends; though, not probable, still it is within the bounds of possibility that such letters may reach them somewhere through the Esquimaux.

Apologizing for my request and the practical purpose I have suggested, yours most respectfully,

M. LINDEMAN,
Secretary to the Bremen Committee of the German Polar Expedition.
Address to MEINDESHAVEN, No. 8 Bremen.

Heavy Loss by the Fire in Bristol—Over Seven Hundred Persons Thrown Out of Employment.

From the Providence Journal, Jan. 12.

About half the buildings of the National Rubber Company at Bristol were consumed yesterday by fire, along with their contents, involving a loss of between $250,000 and $300,000, fully covered by insurance in the different companies given below. The fire was caused by the explosion of the middle heater, owing to the expansion of highly rarified air, and spread with almost unexampled rapidity, driving the employes out of the buildings, none of them, however, receiving any injury. The entire north line of buildings, together with the rooms connecting the north line with the south were destroyed, the walls only being left standing, and those particularly the brick walls in a very dilapidated condition. The side destroyed is 440 feet in length, the buildings averaging forty feet in width, and consists of the heating room, with three heaters, the varnish room, the packing room, the lower packing room, the steam curing room for the manufacturing shoe, belting, and connecting rooms, gum, cutting and stock rooms, and the magnificent new shoe room, 64 by 120. Very little stock is saved, on account of the rapidity with which the flames spread through the various rooms. In the rooms on the south side is all the valuable machinery, which fortunately escaped injury. The works covered an area of two and a half acres, and the lot on which they are built is known as the "ten acre lot," and belongs to the National Rubber Company. No precise estimate has yet been formed as to the amount of damages, but the heaviest loss will be on the manufactured stock. The Company had 750 names on their last pay roll. The following is a statement of the insurance upon the whole property: Liverpool, London and Globe, $50,000; North British, London, $20,000; Narragansett, Providence, $10,000; Home, New-York, $7,500; Phoenix, Brooklyn, $5,000; Hartford, Baltimore, $5,000, and the following, to the amount of $2,000 each: Hartford, Albany City, Manhattan, New-York; International, New-York; Hanover, New-York; Commonwealth, New-York; Elliot, Boston; Republic, New-York; Metropolitan, New-York; Firemen's, Boston; Washington Shoe and Leather, Boston; Card Exchange, New-York; Atlantic, Brooklyn; Yonkers, New-York; Merchants', Providence; Equitable, Providence; Atlantic, Providence; Hope, New-York; Firemen's Fund, New-York; Cleveland, Cleveland; Girard, Philadelphia; Clinton, Lancaster; Lancaster, Lancaster, Penn.; Relief, New-York; Williamsburg, Brooklyn; Lafayette, Brooklyn; Resolute, New-York; Merchants', Chicago; Firemen's, New-York; Guardian, New-York; Maryland, Baltimore; Fulton, New-York; Quaker Oak, Hartford; Washington, Baltimore; Astor, New-York; Union, Baltimore; Excelsior, New-York; Lorillard, New-York; Pacific, San Francisco; National, Boston; Commercial, Cleveland; Hope, Providence; Empire City, New-York; Guardian, Philadelphia; State, Cleveland; Hide and Leather, Boston;

WEST INDIES.

San Domingo's Annexation to the United States.

FULL TEXT OF THE TREATIES.

The Rumored Cessation of Hostilities in Cuba.

Effect of the Bogus Proclamation in Havana.

SAN DOMINGO.

Full Text of the Annexation Treaties—Position of the United States.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The full text of the treaty celebrated between the United States of America and the Dominican Republic for the incorporation of the second with the first is as follows:

The people of the Dominican Republic having, through their Government, expressed their desire to be incorporated into the United States as one of the Territories thereof, in order to provide more effectually for their security and prosperity, and the United States being desirous of meeting the wishes of the people and Government of that Republic, the high contracting parties have determined to accomplish the treaty, an object so important to their mutual and permanent welfare. For this purpose the President of the United States has given full power to MR. RAYMOND H. PERRY, United States Commercial Agent in the City of San Domingo, in the Dominican Republic, and the President of the Dominican Republic has given full powers to Mr. MANUEL MARIA GAUTIER, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the said Dominican Republic; and the said Plenipotentiaries, after having communicated to each other their respective full powers found in good form, have agreed upon and concluded the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. The Dominican Republic, acting subject to the wishes of its people, to be expressed in the shortest possible time, renounces all rights and sovereignty as an independent sovereign nation, and cedes these rights to the United States, to be incorporated by them as an integral portion of the Union, subject to the same constitutional provisions as their other Territories. It also cedes to the United States the absolute fee and property in all the custom houses, fortifications, barracks, ports, harbors, navy and navy yards, magazines, arms and munitions and accoutrements, archives and public documents of the said Dominican Republic, of which a schedule is annexed to this treaty, public lands and other property not specified excepted.

ART. 2. The citizens of the Dominican Republic will be incorporated into the United States as citizens thereof, inhabitants of its Territories, and shall be maintained and protected in the free enjoyment of their liberty and property as such citizens, and may be admitted into the Union as a State upon such terms and conditions and at such time as Congress shall provide by law.

ART. 3. The public lands and property belonging to the Dominican Republic, not heretofore officially ceded to the United States, are pledged to the payment of all the public debt, liquidated or unliquidated, which shall remain after the payment provided for in this treaty.

ART. 4. The people of the Dominican Republic shall, in the shortest possible time, express in a manner conformable to their laws, their will concerning the cession herein provided for; and the United States shall, until such expression shall be had, protect the Dominican Republic against foreign interposition, in order that the national expression may be free.

ART. 5. The United States shall pay to the Dominican Republic for the property hereby ceded, the sum of $1,500,000 in gold coin of the United States; such payment not to be made until the Senate of the United States shall have given its advice and consent to the making of this treaty, and an appropriation for the payment shall have been made by Congress, and until delivery of all the property ceded shall be made to the persons authorized to receive the same.

ART. 6. The Dominican Republic engages to apply the same as paid by the United States through a commissioner to be appointed by the President of the Dominican Government, towards the payment of its public debt in a manner conformable to the laws of said Republic; this Commission to be respected and protected by the United States while in the legal performance of its duties. And the said Republic shall hold its public bonds as security for the payment of any part thereof, liquidated or unliquidated, which may remain unpaid after such application, and after the execution thereof to make no grants or concessions of lands or rights in lands, and to contract no further debts until Congress shall assume jurisdiction over the territory, and officers shall be appointed to administer the affairs thereof. The United States are in no event to be liable for the payment of any part of such debt, or of the interest thereon, or of any obligation of the Dominican Republic.

ART. 7. Until provision shall be made by law for the government as a Territory of the United States of the domain hereby ceded, the laws of the Dominican Republic, which are not in conflict with the Constitution and laws of the United States, shall remain in force, and the Executive and other public officers of the Republic shall retain their offices until Congress shall enact laws for the Government of the Territory, and such persons shall be appointed to office pursuant thereto.

ART. 8. Immediately after the exchange of the ratifications of this treaty, the President of the United States shall appoint a Commissioner to proceed to the Dominican Republic and receive the transfer of the domains and the property hereby ceded, subject to the foregoing provisions.

ART. 9. The present treaty shall be ratified by the contracting parties, it being understood that it must receive the constitutional advice and consent of the United States, before it can be ratified on the part of the United States, and the ratification shall be exchanged at Washington within four months from the date hereof, or sooner if possible.

ART. 10. In case of the rejection of this treaty, the United States of America shall have the right to acquire the Peninsula and Bay of Samana at any time prior to the expiration of a period of fifty years, by paying to the Dominican Republic the sum of $5,000,000 in the gold coin of the United States.

ART. 11. It is understood that upon the ratification of this treaty the sum of $197,229 91, paid by the United States to the Dominican Republic on account of the rent of Samana, shall be deducted from the sum specified in article seventh of this treaty.

In witness whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed this treaty, and thereto affixed their respective seals. Done in duplicate and good faith, in the English and Spanish languages, at the City of San Domingo, this twenty-third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

[SEAL.] RAYMOND H. PERRY.
[SEAL.] MANUEL MARIA GAUTIER."

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY MENTIONED IN ARTICLE 1.

The stronghold of the City of San Domingo, which comprehends its walls, sixteen forts and small redoubts, two heavy batteries, various quarters, two powder magazines, the fortress called Homenage, and a park of artillery, with a full armament of cannon and mortars, iron and brass shells, grenades, grape muskets, and other utensils and instruments indispensable to a fortified place; the castle of San Jeronimo; the castle of Jaina, on the river of that name; the Fort San Louis, at Santiago de Los Caballeros; the castle of San Felipe, at Puerto Plata; the fort of San Francisco, at Monte Christi; the fort of Santa Barbara at Samana; the fort of Los Cayos at the same place; the Custom House at San Domingo, and its dependencies; the Custom House of Samana, built of timber; the ports of San Domingo, Macoris, Azua, Samana, Puerto Plata and Monte Christi, which are those which are licensed for commerce with foreigners. There are, moreover, an infinity of ports, bays and coves which could be applied to similar use, especially Barapon Puerto Viejo, De Azua, La Caldera, La Romana, Chagres, Matanzas and Manzanilla. Various other points intended for fortifications, military stations, and which have either been removed or not yet erected.

Witness the hands of the said Plenipotentiaries, at the City of San Domingo, on the twenty-ninth day of November, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

RAYMOND H. PERRY.
MANUEL MARIA GAUTIER.

The Samana Lease treaty is very brief, and its points have been substantially given heretofore. The only features not heretofore given are the following:—"It is understood that the Dominican Republic does not cede its right of free navigation of the waters of the Bay. The United States shall protect the Dominican Republic against foreign interventions during the time agreed upon for expiring of the above ratification. The amount of money acknowledged by the Dominican Government as the first payment of the lease is $50,000. It should be stated that in regard to the signature of the treaty by Mr. PERRY, the General BABCOCK, who conducted the negotiations on the American Commissioner, was prevented from signing the treaty officially by the law which prohibits military or naval officers from acting in a diplomatic or consular capacity. Home power was given to Mr. PERRY to affix his signature to the treaty.

CUBA.

Excitement in Havana—Suspected Bogus Proclamation—Who are the Authors?—The Vos due Isabella—Miscellaneous News from Many Seats of War.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1870.

Great excitement has prevailed here in consequence of the publication, by the *Voz de Cuba*, of the document of which the translation follows:

Central Republican Junta of Cuba and Puerto Rico:

CUBANS: Not cowardly despair, which can never find a resting place in manly breasts, but an uninterrupted series of disasters which Divine Providence has seen fit to inflict upon us—the complete lack of resources, the guilty indifference of many; disconcerting vile intriguers, and unbridled ambition possessing others; the great reinforcements Spain sends to Cuba, and the consequent desire of avoiding unnecessary effusion of blood, and of freeing our beloved country from a complete ruin—all these causes combined oblige us to raise our voices in favor of a cessation of hostilities for the present. Cubans, do not attribute to infamous treason or cowardice this language. Should you doubt, bring to mind the reverses we have experienced—the *Mary Lowell* captured in April last, with a valuable cargo of war material; the *La Rosa* confiscated in Jamaica; the arrest of the Cuban Junta in this City, in June—who would believe it?—by the authorities of this country, at the instigation of Spanish agents, upon the frivolous pretext of disturbing the peace; the capture also, at a later date, by this same Government, of the steamer *Cuffarina Wating*; the treason of the Commodore of North American birth, to whose charge had been confided the steamer *Cuba*—our first war vessel; and the libel at about the same time of the *Lillias*, at Nassau, that had as part of her cargo, destined for your use, 3,000 rifles, eight cannon, ten tons powder, one million and a half of cartridges, shoes, clothing, medicine, &c. &c., and the consequent detention and dispersion of the two valiant battalions destined to reinforce your ranks, and finally the false conduct of the President of this nation, who, in his recent message, not only has inflicted a mortal wound to the Cuban revolution—mortal in its consequences—but also has originated that incredible contempt with which both Houses of Congress have viewed our just protestations to be recognized as belligerents, together with the unconcerned delivery of the Spanish gunboats, that serve to prevent us altogether from sending you aid. These are facts more than sufficient to justify before the whole world this step. On the other hand, the Spanish Government, in their recent course suppressing direct taxation in Cuba, have preceded napoleonically, thereby doing away with one of the principal and the most weighty motives many of our soldiers had in taking up arms. There remains no other road therefore, than to lay down your arms. Cubans, return to your toils; work and recover the great losses you have experienced; strengthen yourselves, and await better times, more opportune times not far distant. You will always have as proofs the inappreciable glory of having fought twenty months, and the positive benefits of the peace your adversaries will, from self-interest, be forced to grant you, while money, and perhaps abandonment by our friends, await us.

(Signed,) MIGUEL ALDAMA,
JOSE MORALES LEMUS,
HILARIO CISNEROS,
ENRIQUE PENEIRO,
FRANCO PESSER,
ANTO ECHEVARRIA.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1869.

The ingenuity and style of the document give it a certain air of genuineness, but your correspondent doubts it, and are this the Cuban Junta in New-York has either denied or authenticated the document, a fact which we will undoubtedly remain ignorant of until the arrival of the mail, as the Censor would not permit any telegraphic information to this effect to reach the public. There are many versions afloat as to the origin of the document, the Cubans believing that it was gotten up by the editor of the *Cronista* in New-York, in conjunction with GUTIERREZ DE LA VEGA, the ex-Governor of Havana, and that it was brought by the latter gentleman to Havana, he in turn securing the services of the *Voz de Cuba* to print it. Some Spaniards opine that the Cubans in New-York opposed to the Junta are the authors of the proclamation, while the majority of the people insist on believing it genuine.

LA VEGA'S MISSION.

But speaking of the queer connection between the *Voz de Cuba* and GUTIERREZ DE LA VEGA brings of necessity the mention of this favorite of the ex-Queen on the tapis. It appears I was not mistaken when I gave his voyage a political character, although the *cos popoli* ascribes to him merely matrimonial projects, and rumor has it that he aspires to the hand of a daughter of the Marquis of CAMP FLORIDO. If Mr. VEGA is as successful in this as in his former attempts to induce some rich Cuban girl to marry him, he is not to be congratulated. That he has won over the editor of the *Voz de Cuba* to the cause of ISABELLA or of her son is very probable, as the *Voz* published a lengthy editorial defending ex-Queens ISABELLA and CHRISTINA from the charge of stealing the crown diamonds, made by the Ministry in the Spanish Cortes.

MORE RUMORS.

The *Voz* announced the surrender of 1,500 insurgents to Colonel BERNOASEL, the same day it published the proclamation, but even of this assertion we have not the slightest confirmation.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

A letter from Puerto Principe contains the following news: Provisions are abundant and cheap as compared with prices just after the beginning of the rebellion. Sickness is decreasing, and the efficient measures adopted by the medical corps stationed here, and seconded efficiently by General PUELLO, allow hopes to be entertained that we shall be no more afflicted with those scourges of camp life, cholera and vomito. General PUELLO, with a strong force, has left the city, marching towards Guaimaro. This may be a wise move, though doubts are expressed openly in many circles as to its propriety. Two thousand soldiers will do nothing more than disperse the insurgents from about Guaimaro, whilst three or four times that number starting from various points might touch them a severe lesson. Large and small bodies of insurgents present themselves in this section, and information entirely worthy of credit has reached this city to the effect that in the Parishes of Las Tunas, Puerto Padre and Santa Cruz more than two thousand persons have surrendered to Colonel BERNOASEL. Some of this number delivered up their arms, all sympathized with the rebellion, and only a short time since shouted *Viva Cuba Libre, Mueron los Españolas*. The opinion among Spaniards residents in Puerto Principe is that too much leniency may be shown in this matter of pardoning all who present themselves, and that, adder-like, they will at the first opportunity turn upon their protectors....Sanctl Espiritus dates afford no news of recent encounters....Trinidad letters state that great efforts are being made by General CARNO to mount as many of his infantry as possible, in order to come in activity with the insurgents. The move is a good one, and no doubt will be carried into effect, as plenty of horses are to be found in that section of the island....The Havana journals published news from Cienfuegos that a partisan from that region had gone towards Vuelta Abajo with a small body of men, for the purpose of firing estates and raising the standard of rebellion there. To-day some thirty prisoners were brought into the city from Pinar del Rio, which would seem to confirm the above news. It is said that the rebel General COGA, who operated about Remedios, now offers to form a partisan troop to act with the regulars against his former comrades. ESMOR, the chief of a band who have caused much trouble and committed many depredations in that portion, is being closely pushed, and finds himself hard pressed. Some of the buildings belonging to the sugar estate "Matilde" were set fire to and burnt on the night of the 27th ultimo....Colonel MORALES DE LOS RIOS had, at latest advices, returned to Holguin, after his raid in search of insurgents reported in that section from the Sierras further westward; result the small number of bush fights, with no positive results to show of either side....M. BOURGOIN, published at Gibara, has an article upon the subject of the escape of some rebels in an open boat, from the Cuban coast to Ragged Island, near the Bahama Canal....VALMASEDA, it would appear, has finally cleared out the rebels from San Juan de Cuba, Baguano and Manzanillo, for no reports, official or otherwise, reach Havana of actions or encounters on that quarter.

QUARMODO.

Affairs on the Island—Activity of the Spanish Troops at Hampton Heads.

HAVANA, Jan. 11.—In consequence of the changed situation in the Cinco Villas district, telegraphic communication has been reestablished with Santi Spiritus, Caigo, Avila, &c. It seems that the insurgents who have recently operated in that section are moving off towards Principe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Va., Jan. 12.—Twelve Spanish gunboats came into the Roads to-day, all safe. They will probably sail to-morrow morning.

DOMESTIC TELEGRAMS.

POLITICAL.

Nomination of a Temperance State Ticket in New-Hampshire—The Tennessee Constitutional Convention—The Texas Election.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 12.—A State Temperance Convention of 133 delegates, representing about forty towns, met here to-day, and organized an independent political party, with Rev. L. O. BARROWS as their candidate for Governor, and Colonel H. O. PIERCE, of Hillsboro, for Railroad Commissioner. A State Central Committee was elected and instructed to issue an address to the people of New-Hampshire. The Committee was further authorized to confer with the Labor Reform Party, and ascertain to what extent the two organizations could consist only act together. During the proceedings upwards of forty delegates selected, organized in another room, and adopted unanimously the following:

Resolved, That as the firm friends of stringent prohibitory legislation, we do not see our way clear to the support of candidates for Governor and Railroad Commissioner the present year.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 12.—The Executive Committee of the State Temperance Alliance has passed a resolution of thanks to the President, Vice-President, and others in Washington, for the example set on New Year's Day in not providing their guests with intoxicating liquors. The Committee voted to hold a mass Temperance Convention in Boston shortly.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan 12.—The following are among the propositions to amend the State Constitution offered in the Convention to-day: Restricting the right of suffrage to white persons only; similar authorizing intermarriage of whites and blacks; for lengthening the term of Governor and investing him with the veto power; for the election of United States Senators, Secretary of State, Comptroller and Treasurer by the people; for removing the disqualification of ex-Confederates in regard to holding office. The propositions were referred to a Committee, and it will be several days before anything is reported for final action.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—The following telegram was received at the War Department on Sunday:

HEADQUARTERS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, Jan. 8, 1870.

Adjutant-General United States Army, Washington:

The law of April 10, and the proclamation of July 15, 1869, have been complied with in the state of Texas. The Constitution is adopted almost unanimously, and the following officers have been elected: E. J. DAVIS, by a majority of 22, for Governor; FRANCIS, Lieutenant-Governor; BLANDY, Comptroller; RICHARDS, Treasurer; KIRCHNER, Chief of Police Office Commissioner. The above officers have been appointed officers of the Provisional Government.

J. J. REYNOLDS, Brevet Major-General.

Proceedings of State Legislatures—The Election for State Treasurer in Pennsylvania.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 12.—The House this morning, after passing resolutions eulogizing the late FRANCIS J. WEBB, adjourned as a tribute of respect to his memory.

BOSTON, Jan. 12.—In the Massachusetts House of Representatives this afternoon, on motion, MR. TAINTOR, of Lawrence, introduced a bill to repeal the Prohibitory Liquor Law.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 12.—No business was transacted in the Legislature to-day, and an adjournment was taken until Monday. Bills to incorporate the Stevens Institute of Technology of Hudson County, supplementary to the bill concerning the Hoboken Land Improvement Company, to facilitate judicial proceedings in Hudson County, and to incorporate a Live Stock Transit Company of Hudson and Bergen Counties, were introduced.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 12.—The Kansas Legislature convened yesterday in the Capitol Building at Topeka. A full list of officers was elected, including Miss EMMA CAMPBELL, of Topeka, as Enrolling Clerk. The Governor's Message will be delivered to-morrow. All the officers of the House are either crippled soldiers, widows, or soldiers' orphans.

HARRISBURG, Penn., Jan. 12.—On the first ballot for Treasurer MACKEY received 62, IRWIN 11, and BARR 55 votes; scattering 2. There was no choice. On the third ballot IRWIN was elected State Treasurer, the vote standing IRWIN, 65; MACKEY, 62; SHOEMAKER, 1, and BARR 2. All the Democrats voted for IRWIN except two, thus defeating the Republican caucus candidate.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—The Legislature has elected JOSEPH O'FARRELL Harbor Commissioner.

The Georgia Legislature—Orders by General Terry.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 12.—Both Houses of the Legislature adjourned, after swearing in a few members.....General TERRY to-day issued an order assigning Warren, Taliaferro, Wilkes, Lincoln, Columbia and Glascock Counties as a sub-district under the command of Major KLINE, with instructions to arrest persons violating the laws and disturbing the peace. Also, an order removing the present Sheriff of Warren County and appointing in his place J. C. NORRIS.

The Louisiana Legislature.

NEW-ORLEANS, Jan. 12.—The Senate to-day passed a bill to amend the Constitution removing political disabilities. A bill appropriating $250,000 for the pay of the members elect was also passed. The bill prohibiting gambling throughout the State, and imposing heavy fines and penalties, has passed both Houses, and now goes to the Governor. Similar fines and penalties are imposed by the bill upon officers failing to enforce the same.

Message of the Governor of Kansas—The Fifteenth Amendment.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 12.—The Message of Governor HARVEY was sent to the Kansas Legislature to-day. The adoption of the Fifteenth Amendment is recommended; also the restoration of suffrage to those disfranchised by connection with the rebellion. The Governor denounces the policy of moral suasion adopted by the Government towards the Indians, and complains of the public sentiment in the East on this question. He wants the Indians confined on reservations, and the Government to detail a sufficient force of troops to keep them there.

CANADA.

Arrival of Governor McDougall at Ottawa—A Fatal Duel—The Fenni Remnants Returning.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 12.—Hon. WILLIAM McDOUGALL arrived yesterday and had an interview with the Governor-General and members of the Cabinet.

MONTREAL, Jan. 12.—Two men, named BREA and MURPHY, living at Fort Hood, Cape Breton, after some rough play proposed to fight a duel, and, calling friends to act as seconds, they stood up with pistols. Brea, as he says, unintentionally fired his weapon, shooting MURPHY in the side. MURPHY died shortly afterwards.....The Canadian Papal Zouaves, whose terms of enlistment have expired, will return to Canada immediately after Holy Week.

Butchermen's National Convention at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 12.—The Butchermen's National Convention recommenced this morning. A special committee was appointed to draft a set of resolutions having reference to the strike of the telegraph operators. A letter was read from Judge W. HOWARD, of New-York, [illegible] Congressional District of New-York, [illegible] to fight the Company [illegible] until they relieve a company [illegible] also, that the officers of the United States Telegraph Company have made propositions to the operators, but they have been rejected. Mr. BROWNING thinks that the Brotherhood will prefer [illegible] giving the condition, number of members, dates [illegible] of last year was readopted. A resolution was presented in favor of the organization of a National Trades' Union, or Assembly, to be composed of delegates from each national organization of trades, to make laws for the benefit of all. Resolutions were passed in favor of the cooperative system as projected by Mr. ROSENSTOCK, who is here. A resolution was offered and referred against gambling in [illegible] cards.

The Telegraphers—The Strike in the South—A Colleague for Albany.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—On inquiry at the Western Union Telegraph Office this morning it was ascertained that all business was closed up last night south of Washington, before the closing hour, and that Company to-day is prepared to receive messages for all points, excepting Goldsboro, Raleigh and Newbern, N. C., and several small offices, which it is expected will be opened to-day. The force at Washington is only four men short of the regular force, and the business is progressing regularly.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 12.—The striking operators here have resumed work, declaring that they had been misinformed in the matter.

Miscellaneous Items.

RUTLAND, Vt., Jan. 12.—The Castleton, Vt., National Bank was broken open on Monday night and robbed of $6,400. The front door was blown open, it is supposed, by nitro-glycerine.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Jan. 12.—The Valley Railroad, fourteen miles in length, between Great Bend, Penn., and this city, has been completed, and an engine passed over the road this afternoon.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y., Jan. 12.—The weather is again extremely mild, and for the second time this month the river is open enough to Albany.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Jan. 12.—ADAM COLE and CHARLES KING were sentenced in Pittsfield yesterday for burglary, for sixteen years and twelve years respectively, in the State Prison. To-day HENRY A. HURD was sentenced for ten years for horse stealing.

NEW-ORLEANS, Jan. 12.—C. W. CAMMOCK, charged with killing MR. NIXON, surrendered himself to the authorities to-day, and was committed to the parish prison.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

MR. FECHTER AS RUY BLAS.

On Monday evening MR. CHARLES FECHTER made his first appearance on the American stage at Niblo's Garden as *Ruy Blas*. The event, while it had been looked forward to with much curiosity—as was indicated by the great throng in attendance—and not been heralded or magnified by any of those subtle means whereby managers are wont to draw attention and fill their treasuries, it rested in an unusual degree upon its own merits. The same principle extended to the dramatic accessories. "Ruy Blas" was neatly but by no means grandly placed upon the stage. Moreover, the play itself affords little aid to the performers in the way of striking scenery, busy action or effective tableaux. It has no processional or military or other similar opportunities to impress the imagination by show, or to make up by movement and numbers for the absence of intellectual force and variety of passion. In a word, nothing is needed but commonplace acting to make *Ruy Blas* wearisome and uninteresting; and the failure or success of the piece rests almost solely upon the powers of the hero. Whatever, then, the result of his first appearance, MR. FECHTER owed nothing to adjuncts on this trying occasion. No pomp and circumstance of stage decoration, costumes or scenery reflected upon his figure a borrowed splendor. Considering, indeed, the romantic character of the play and of his own school, the severity, so to speak, of all that surrounded him was quite remarkable. There was no mistake of judgment in this; the sombreness of the setting threw out with magnificent effect the water and brilliancy of the diamond.

Mr. FECHTER is a great, a very great actor. His abilities are so harmoniously developed—he is, in brief, so superb an artist—that it will not be in the least surprising if average audiences fail at the outset to recognize the scale of his desert, and, from its novelty, to appreciate the exquisite finish of his style. Popular discernment, however, will not long be at fault, for the reason that with all his wonderful elaboration MR. FECHTER possesses that strange, indefinable Promethean fire which kindles to a blaze those who come in contact with it, whether they have culture or not. He has genius. No man can act certain scenes of "Ruy Blas" as he acts them, without genius. In truth, so to use the word seems a misapplication of terms, for acting is one thing and transfiguration is another. We will attempt to give some idea of the tools he works with and the results he obtains, beginning with a brief account of "Ruy Blas" itself. This is founded upon, but is not quite identical with, VICTOR HUGO's drama of the same name. The latter, which was brought out at the Salle Ventadour, in Paris, Nov. 8, 1838, is in five acts, while Mr. FECHTER's play is in three, and there are some changes in plot and situation. The first acts of the two pieces are almost precisely the same. The second and third acts of the original are compressed so as to make the sound of the adaptation. Of the French fourth act the English version has nothing, and the fifth, again, is as both almost alike. What story there is in "Ruy Blas" may be shortly told, although there are some mystifications hardly to be made intelligible. *Ruy Blas*, a young Spaniard of low birth but noble mind, is forced by necessity to take service in the house of *Don Salluste*, Minister of the King, *Charles II.* The nobleman, just at the beginning of the action, has been disgraced through the means of the *Princess de Neuburg*, who is to marry the King, having been betrothed to him since she was thirteen years of age. *Don Salluste* determines upon a diabolical revenge. In the first scene we find him trying to make an instrument of *Don Cesar de Bazan*, a ruined and spendthrift noble, who, however, is too good a gentleman to accept his tempter's dazzling offers. These he spurns with contempt, and the discomfited *Salluste* then tries *Ruy Blas*. Taught by his previous failure, the schemer keeps his intended tool ignorant concerning the nature of the return that he is to make for being lifted to rank and wealth. Here is a change from the French drama which is a great improvement. In the latter *Salluste* enjoins upon *Ruy Blas*, at the end of the first act, to become the *Queen's* lover; in the English play *Salluste* overhears *Ruy Blas* confess that he already loves that lady, and this it is which makes *Salluste* resolve to use the servant as he subsequently does. The advantage lies in an increased subtlety and delicacy of plot; for now instead of being, like *Claude Melnotte*, whom in some other respects he resembles, a willing accomplice in villainy, *Ruy Blas* is in the dark as to what the villainy really is until the close. Thus he retains our esteem, and the sympathy inspired by his native chivalry, his undeserved misfortunes and his tragical death is unimpaired.

The plot of *Salluste*'s plan is that *Ruy Blas* should personate *Don Cesar*, who is conveniently put out of the way; that in time he should attract the notice and the love of the *Queen*, and by this means draw her into some snare fatal to her reputation and position. To provide the needful implements, *Salluste* makes *Ruy Blas*—in utter ignorance of what purpose they are meant to serve—write two letters, which the former carefully preserves. One is written in the name of *Don Cesar*, and begs the recipient—as the only way to save the writer from a throat-dagger and prodigious danger—at once to fly to him. This letter it is which ultimately brings the *Queen* to the house of *Ruy Blas* at night and so brings on the catastrophe. The other letter is a promise, signed in his proper name by *Ruy Blas*, to be always to *Don Salluste* a faithful valet. This is the Damocles sword which is to hang over the hero in his altered fortunes and prevent his rebelling against the hand that raised him. Pursuant to the scheme, *Ruy Blas*, in his assumed character of *Don Cesar*, raises his place at Court on the *Count de Garofa* a grandee of Spain, gains wealth and a Duchess, and rises in six months to be Prime Minister. In the sequel, the *Queen*, having in the meantime discovered the hero to be in love with her—which love, while returned, brings no worthy consequence—comes in his house at night, as *Don Salluste* has plotted she shall, is surprised there by that mischiefer and threatened with exposure and disgrace. *Ruy Blas*, however, quietly locks the door, by a stealthy movement draws the sword of his enemy from its scabbard, and announces his resolution to kill him then and there. A terrible scene ensues, the whole device is made clear, *Ruy Blas* kills *Don Salluste* after a fight with dagger, throws him over a parapet, outside the window, into the space below, and then—having been mortally wounded in the struggle—dies himself, after receiving the forgiveness and love of his distracted mistress and Queen. There are several changes in this scene from the French model. In the latter *Ruy Blas* drives *Don Salluste* into another chamber, kills him there, returns and implores the *Queen's* forgiveness, which, being withheld, he poisons himself and dies. Mr. FECHTER's arrangement is in this, as in other points, more artistic and effective. Our sensibilities, less fine than those of Paris, do not revolt at the visible slaughter of so great a scoundrel as *Don Salluste*, and there is, on the contrary, a decided satisfaction in seeing him thus doubly and assuredly put out of the way. We have omitted to mention what is however, rather an extraneous incident than an essential element of the plot—namely, that *Ruy Blas*, being a man of the people, asserts their rights with great eloquence when he gets to be Minister, and determines to protect them against the cruelty and rapacity of the nobles. The democratic sympathies which pervade so much of M. VICTOR HUGO's writings are vividly expressed in *Ruy Blas*. And although, as we have said, the episode that so strongly conveys them is not in strictness essential to the dramatic evolution of the story, it serves to remind us of the prodigious gulf that at the time of the supposed action separated the lower and upper classes—a recollection that helps us to comprehend and admire the wonderful depth of feeling with which MR. FECHTER portrays his conception of it. That a creature like *Ruy Blas*, so exalted, so generous and so capable of infinite development, should wear the gate and perform the offices of a menial, strikes us from the first as a cruel anomaly; and when he is delivered of all this, and ascends, as it were, at a bound to his rightful sphere, we rejoice in sympathy, even when we know that the price of his redemption from the sea of poverty and wretchedness must lie in some future destructive cataclysm.

Mr. FECHTER is a superlatively fine artist in this: That, whereas elaboration is commonly associated with talent rather than genius—so that minute attention to detail is almost universally and instinctively held to be a proof of deficiency in the highest powers or capacities for art—he shows us elaboration and genius both together. He is wonderful as a mere mechanician, but even more so for his spontaneity, his bursts of inspiration, his ineffable tenderness—which all the teaching on earth could not impart—and for the occasional electrical effect of his presence and action. This play of "Ruy Blas" is a melodrama—in the literal as well as the customary acceptance of the word—and the music, occasionally, to our mind, robs the scene of its reality. MR. FECHTER's accent—it is idle to deny it—is sometimes a drawback, and a grave one; he is neither very comely, nor is he any longer youthful in appearance; and yet for pathos, for marvelous facial expression and variety of gesture, for even grace, for making the blood to stir and the eye to moisten, for darting that magnetic thrill through the heart which cannot be mistaken,—for all those things that, in the personation of human passion and human suffering make us think of the soul rather than the poor machine which it inhabits,—Mr. FECHTER's *Ruy Blas* is, to our experience, unsurpassed and indeed incomparable. FREDERIC LEMAITRE was the original, and his performance was doubtless a fine one. But he liked *Don Cesar*, even in the embryonic sketch much better, and had it written up, as we have seen, to the subsequent delight of our own as well as the French stage. This part is much curtailed in the English *Ruy Blas*, perhaps from a fear lest that imputed to SHAKESPEARE about Marcellus. We believe that the praise bestowed by VICTOR HUGO on LEMAITRE in this part is more justly applicable to M. FECHTER. He, too, is profoundly thoughtful, melancholy, passionate almost to sublimity, and transcends in the swift climax almost all our traditions of the art; and those who have studied LEMAITRE's Mousquetaires, and watched him from every side, will, we think, agree with us in the opinion that he wanted the profound depth, the intense mobility, the imaginative scope and grasp which characterize MR. FECHTER's performance, and stamp it, in our judgment, as that of a man of genius.

We have referred to MR. FECHTER's accent. It is palpable even in his first and broadest scene that he is not speaking in his native tongue, or, more strictly—since he was born in London—that in which he has been used, for the most part, to act. He is, notwithstanding, always intelligible; his voice is full, melodious, finely cultivated, of much strength, and under good control. The inflections are, it must be confessed, of rather a composite or polyglot character, and to the average American ear may not at first or always be agreeable. Yet one who spoke English far worse than he does, and was, moreover, an artist otherwise of far inferior grade, Mme. CHERRY, was among the greatest favorites the American stage has ever known. The objection, however, falls in nought in the presence of MR. FECHTER's tremendous earnestness. He might be totally unintelligible to the bulk of his audience—declaiming from SOPHOCLES, for example—and he would still stir them to the very depths of their natures, through a force of passion that mocks at words and a felicity of action that renders them almost useless. We feel constrained to make an important objection to the performance of the painstaking gentleman who acts *Don Salluste*, for the reason that, in one aspect, it seems to unnecessarily damage to the reality of the picture. He lacks elegance, breeding—in short, the Hidalgo air which the character surely requires. *Don Salluste* is Satan, no doubt, as VICTOR HUGO says he is; but he is also a Spanish grandee. He is base, coward-minded, cruel to utter unscrupulousness, but conventionally he is likewise a gentleman. Of course, the dramatic purpose of contrast may be subserved by straining a point in representing him; that is to say, by setting off in sharply opposing colors the brutality and selfishness of the born gentleman against the delicacy and generosity of the lacquey. Such a purpose is artistic, no doubt, but it should not be pushed beyond the limits of reasonable probability. Gentlemen are gentlemen still, and lacqueys lacqueys, despite *Ruy Blas* and *Don Salluste*; and it is the mistake of bad advocacy to try to prove too much.

Miss CARLOTTA LE CLERCQ excellently seconds Mr. FECHTER's acting in this drama. She is handsome, refined and well trained. Taught her profession in the best existing school,—that of Mrs. KEAN,—she realizes one frequently of that lady, and she has, moreover, caught some of the fire of the splendid artist with whom she acts, which at times flashes up with telling results. She has, too—a gift, if possible, more admirable still—a musical and expressive voice. She gives us the sweet talk and the sweet laughter that were the perennial charms of the Hoyden Lalage. Neither are so common but that they are exceedingly grateful. And the poem that is rounded off by her lover's death is rendered—we mean in the main recitative to the history—probable by her grace and refinement, and inexpressibly touching by the desolation of her face when *Ruy Blas* breathes no more.

Musical Notes.

The accomplished *chef d'orchestre* at Booth's Theatre, Mr. MOLLENHAUER, has in preparation a work of important character, being no less than a symphony in ten movements on the subject of COLLINS's Ode, "The Passions." The symphony will be first performed, we are told, at Steinway Hall, on the evening of Feb. 12. A very large chorus will extend to the interpretation, and Mr. Bryant income will add to the precision of the occasion by reciting the poetry which the music is intended to illustrate.

On Tuesday evening next one of the popular "Glees and Madrigals" entertainments will be given at Steinway Hall, with a strong force of singers.

NEW-YORK CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.

The audience that filled the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, last evening, indicated the great interest felt in the people of the New-York Conservatory of Music; and the applause marking each stage of the entertainment gave evidence of their abundant satisfaction at the proficiency of the youthful musicians. It was on occasion, of course, that calls for no criticism on individual performances, but one that gave genuine pleasure in its results, and special gratification to persons interested in musical Association in the future. It is to be regretted, it is true, that the piano should have been the only instrument used, as it seems probable that we shall have to draw upon Europe for our orchestral players for many years to come; but there can be no doubt as to the popularization of good music to be accomplished by the manipulation of Steinway pianos and squares. And in respect of vocal culture, the entertainment yesterday was of lifelong promise. There is no need, we think, to make reference to individual efforts. The programme, indeed, was too lengthened for recapitulation here. Misses L. CRX, A. DOSCHER, M. HAGE, A. HOFF, L. [illegible] and J. HARD, and Messrs. August SCHABHAUS and J. BUTTAGE were the instrumentalists, and Misses M. HALL, S. HODGES, L. WALBRIDGE and M. SCOTT, with Mr. E. HAGE, the vocalists. These pupils had the assistance of the Professors of the institution and that of Miss GUERNSEY, Mr. R. S. GRINWOLD directing the affair and overtaking, in the many points of delight, very flattering assurances of a recognition of the worth and popularity of the institution.

Personal.

Wendell Phillips, of Boston, is at the St. Dennis Hotel. Hon. J. N. McCullough, of Pittsburg; Hon. E. B. Phillips, of Chicago; Hon. A. H. Bailey, of Lafayette; Hon. H. B. Norton, of Boston; Hon. T. Roussie, of Washington; Dr. O. E. Herrick, of Key West; Hon. John Cooper, of Mount Vernon; Dr. J. S. Dillman, of Albany, and General J. B. McClintock, of Pennsylvania, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Collector Casey, of New-Orleans, and Hon. G. S. Hitchcock, of Syracuse, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel. Ex-Congressman Oliver, of Pennsylvania; Hon. George Innis, of Benchkempsie, and Hon. W. T. Hildrup, of Harrisburg, are at the Astor House. Canal Commissioner Wright, of Geneva, N. Y., is at the Metropolitan Hotel.

THE DEMAND TELLS THE STORY.—From all directions orders for BYRALON'S VITALIA, or SALVERON FOR THE HAIR, come pouring in. All the nostrums Dyes, &c., go down before it. A year hence they will be unmarketable. The ladies say it is as pleasant to use as a perfumed toilet water, and it is as transparent as crystal. Nothing ever produced so perfectly the original hue of the hair.—*Advertisement.*

NEW-YORK WEEKLY TIMES.

THE NEW-YORK WEEKLY TIMES will be published THIS MORNING, and may be had

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

A sale of Mulberry-street property was made at the Exchange yesterday by JOSEPH McGUIRE, under the direction of GRACE NATHAN, referee. The property consisted of two lots, Nos. 25 and 27, together measuring about 49x100.4, on one of which was a four-story brick building, with store on first floor, and on the other a three-story house, also of brick. The building was cautious, but permeable, and chiefly kept up by two individuals. The entire property was struck off for $22,100. To-day MULLER & CO. will offer four lots on Forty-fifth-street, west of Tenth-avenue.

Auction Sale Yesterday,

NEW-YORK.

By Joseph McGuire.

2 lots, with brick buildings, Nos. 25 and 27 Mulberry-st., w. s., 51.6 ft. n. of Park-st., 49x100 ... $22,100

Transfers of Real Estate

NEW-YORK CITY.

East Broadway, n. s., 125.9 ft. e. of Market-st., 75 x25.10, ½ share ... $10,750
Rivington-st., n. s., Nos. 1.3, leasehold ... 11,000
24th-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 11th-av., 12x100.9 ... 20,000
3d-st., n. s., 229 ft. e. of 11th-av., 102x98.9 ... 22,000
34th-st., n. s., 125 ft. e. of 6th-av., 25x98.9 ... 4,000
34th-st., n. s., 150 ft. e. of 6th-av., 25x98.9 ... 4,000
50th-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x99.9 ... 4,200
52d-st., n. s., 125.6 ft. e. of 1st-av., 25 and 2, 18x76 ... 13,000
Sullivan-st., n. s., 219 ft. n. of Houston-st., 18.11x100 ... 12,000
27th-st., n. s., 162 ft. e. e. of 2d-av., 17x100.9 ... 1,600
11th-st., n. s., 365 ft. w. of 5th-av., 20x100.9 ... 2,700
34th-st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x100.9 ... 14,000
2d-av., No. 116, 20.8x100 ... 20,000
8th-av. and 56th-st., s. w. corner, 52.4x100.5 ... 27,000

Lease Recorded.

Broadway, Nos. 740 and 742½, 21 years, per year ... $11,000
42d-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 1st-av., 24x100.7, 7 years, per year ... 600
42d-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of 10th-av., 20x100, 4½ years, per year ... 1,000
Rebecca-st. and Canal-st., n. w. corner, 19x100.8, 21 years and year ... 700
Grand-st., n. s., No. 216, 25x100; for the first five years, per year, $1,800, and the next five years, per year ... 1,800
Greenwich-st., No. 54, 25x80, 7 years, per year ... 1,600

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Broadway, n. s., 23 ft. e. of Butler-st., 100x50 ... $1,500
Broadway, n. s., 142 ft. e. of 3d-st., 32x50 ... 10,000
Court-st., e. s., 50 ft. n. of Huntington-st., 50x125.6 ... 4,000
Eagle and Oakland sts., n. e. corner, 32x90 ... 1,400
Gates-av., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Marcy-av., 100x197 ... 3,000
Johnson-st., s. s., 200 ft. e. of Smith-st., 20x100 ... 8,500
Marion-st., s. s., 300 ft. e. of Howard-av., 25x100 ... 200
Marion-st., s. s., 325 ft. e. of Paulding-av., 100x25 ... 2,000
Myrtle-av., n. s., 187.6 ft. e. of Hoyt-st., 100x77.4 ... 6,000
Russell-place, e. s., 95.5 ft. s. of Herkimer-st., 20x80 ... 810
Seeley-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of Middle-st., 100x111.6 ... 2,150
Seventh-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of Middle-st., 27.8x100.7 ... 1,000
St. Andrew's-place, e. s., 65.7 ft. s. of Herkimer-st., 20x90 ... 2,100
Walton-st., n. s., 175 ft. e. of Marcy-av., 25x100 ... 3,000
16th-st., e. s., 100 ft. e. of 10th-av., 100.12x100 ... 1,045
26th-st., e. s., 240 ft. s. of 10th-av., 100.2x98 ... 700
Clinton-av., w. s., 5.3 ft. n. of Park-av., 84.7x78 ... 5,000
Classon-av., east side, opposite Lafayette-av., 25x100 ... 2,200
Park-av. and Myrtle-av., n. w. corner, 54x70 ... 4,000
6th-av., e. s., 57.4 ft. n. of 16th-st., 20x18.3 ... 2,200
10th-av. and 18th-st., n. e. corner, irregular ... 5,075

QUEENS COUNTY.

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Montague-av., e. s., 375.4 ft. s. of Cooper-av., Six 122, Glendale ... $100

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Lot No. 231, 25x100, map of Locust Grove ... $201

Astoria.

Academy-st., w. s., 75 ft. n. of Ridge-st., 25x100 ... $125
Ridge-st., n. s., lot No. 121, Hiller map ... 200
Academy-st., w. s., 50 ft. n. of Ridge-st., 25x100 ... 400

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White Plains.

Brookfield and New-sts., s. e. corner, 50x250 ... $100

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Office No. 59 Broadway.
JONATHAN W. ALLEN, JOSIAH W. BROWN, HORATIO HENRIQUES.
REAL ESTATE AT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SALE.

TUESDAY, Jan. 18,
At 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway,
PEREMPTORY SALE OF THIRTY-FOUR VALUABLE LOTS IN THE NINETEENTH WARD, BETWEEN THE AVENUES OF 1ST-AV. 6TH AND 9TH STS., IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF BEEKMAN HILL PROPERTY.

1st-av.—Two, west side 67th-st. to 68th-st., comprising the whole front.

6th-st.—13 lots north side of 6th-st., commencing 100 feet east of 1st-av.

9th-st.—13 lots south side of 9th-st., commencing 100 feet east of 1st-av.

Sale positive to the highest bidder. Sixty per cent of the purchase money may remain on bond and mortgage if desired. Maps and particulars at the office of the auctioneers, No. 59 Broadway.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY ON 4TH-ST., by order of the Supreme Court.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. E. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, Jan. 13, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of Henry Bentz, Esq., receiver, the lot of land, 25 feet front by 100 feet deep, with the buildings thereon, situate on the north side of 4th-st., commencing 100 feet west of 10th-av. The improvements consist of a three-story brick house, three feet on one of the lots; a three-story brick factory, dark feet, well and substantially built, with Roswell edifice, on the rear of two of the lots; and a two-story brick stable and office on the westerly lot. Lots each 25x100.4.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The undersigned having been for the last forty years a full partner in the firm of the lately deceased firm of A. BININGER & CO., established in 1828, and having commenced knew next door below the old stand, under the firm name of A. BININGER, SLATER & SON (Incorporated), have been succeeded by Judge Gilbert of the Supreme Court of New-York, from using my BAPTISMAL name of BININGER, also that of SUCCESSOR, I would hereby inform the public that for the present and until my name Bininger is restored to the firm by Judge Gilbert, I shall go business as the Wine, Liquor and Fine Family Grocery store, under the name and title of ABRAHAM H. CLARK & SON, No. 9 Liberty-st.

DISSOLUTION.

The firm of FAILE, WILLIAMS & CO. is dissolved this day by mutual consent. The business of the firm will be settled by EDWARD AND CHARLES W. FAILE, who are authorized to collect the debts and sign the name of the firm in liquidation.
EDWARD FAILE,
RICHARD WILLIAMS,
CHARLES W. FAILE.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 1, 1870.

DISSOLUTION.

The copartnership heretofore existing under the firm of BENNET & KLENEN, real estate and insurance agents, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. ORVILLE G. BENNET will continue the business at No. 7 W. Cedar-st., and is alone authorized to sign in liquidation.
ORVILLE G. BENNET,
MARTIN KLENEN.
JAN. 10, 1870.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

The firm of D. H. GOODMAN & BRO. has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. Either of the partners is authorized to sign in liquidation.
D. H. GOODMAN,
SAMUEL GOODMAN.

DISSOLUTION.—THE FIRM OF SUTPHIN & DAYTON is this day dissolved by limitation. Mr. JOHN H. SUTPHIN retiring from the clothing business. The outstanding business will be settled at the office of DAYTON & CLOSE. Either partner will sign in liquidation.
J. H. SUTPHIN,
JOHN DAYTON.
JAN. 1, 1870.

We have this day formed a copartnership under the firm name of DAYTON & CLOSE, and as successors to the business of the late firm of SUTPHIN & DAYTON, will continue the manufacturing and jobbing of youths' and children's clothing at No. 51 Chambers-st.
JOHN DAYTON,
DAVID CLOSE.
JAN. 1, 1870.

THE FIRM OF CROOK, FOX & NASH is dissolved from this date by mutual consent, Messrs. CROOK and FOX retiring from the business. CHARLES W. NASH is authorized to settle the affairs of the old firm.
J. H. CROOK,
EDWARD P. FOX,
CHARLES W. NASH.
JAN. 1, 1870.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned succeeds to CROOK, FOX & NASH, have formed a copartnership and will continue the business at Nos. 21 and 40 Park-row, and Nos. 147 and 149 Nassau-st.
CHARLES W. NASH,
NELSON H. FULLER.
JAN. 1, 1870.

THE COPARTNERSHIP OF SPENCER & MITCHELL expires this day by its own limitation. Either of the general partners will sign the firm name in liquidation.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1869.

The business will henceforth be carried on by the undersigned under the firm name of HARVEY SPENCER & CO., Nos. 4 and 6 Reade-st., corner Church.
HARVEY SPENCER,
GEORGE TRULL.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1869.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THIS JAN. 1, 1870, day entered into a copartnership, for the purpose of carrying on a wholesale coal business, under the firm name of WATTS BROTHERS & CO.
RICHARD HEATHER,
JAMES B. WATTS,
GEORGE WATTS.

THE UNDERSIGNED RESUMES THE butter, cheese and produce business at No. 189 Front-st., succeeding WM. A. KEELER.
JAMES R. KEELER.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 1, 1870.

MR. HENRY F. SEWALL, WHO was formerly engaged for us by procrastination, is today admitted as a partner in our house.
GRINNELL, MINTURN & CO.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 1, 1870.

MR. THOMAS SELLER IS ASSOCIated with us from this date. The firm name will be ALEX. D. NAPIER & CO.
ALEX. D. NAPIER.
JAN. 1, 1870.

WILLIAM A. HAINES, JR., AND JOHN E. HYNES, JR., are this day admitted partners in our firm.
HALSTED, HAINES & CO.
JAN. 1, 1870.

WATCHES, JEWELRY, &C.

$15 $20 $25 THE COLLINS WATCH FACTORY.—The celebrated SWITZER GOLD HUNTING WATCHES, "Collins Model," (Imported Orodo.) These finely constructed Watches have been so successfully tested during the last four years, and their superior merits so fully established, that Gold Watches are well established as reliable for accurate time. They Polish their color, and each one is fully guaranteed by special certificate. Patent Lever, $15. Extra Jewelled, $20. Patent Lever, $25. Extra jewelled, for time to gold cases costing from $75 to extra fine finish, and Repeating & $200 gold cases. Also, an extra heavy, superior finish and substantially gold, with Roswell edifice, on the rear of two of the lots; and a two-story brick stable and office on the westerly lot. Lots each 25x100.4.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.
BANKERS,
16 and 18 Nassau-st., New-York.

DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND IN GOLD AND GOLD COUPONS.

CLOSING PRICES.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1870—3 P. M.

	Bay.	Ask.		Bay.	Ask.
Registered, 1881	117½	117¾	6-20 Coupon, '67	114¾	114¾
Coupon, 1881	117½	118¼	6-20 Coupon, '68	114¾	114¾
5-20 Regis., 1867	113¾	113¾	10-40 Regis.	111	112
5-20 Coupon, '67	113	113¼	10-40 Coupon	112	112¼
5-20 Coupon, '68	113¾	113¾	Gold	132¾	133¾
5-20 Coupon, '65	113¾	113¾	U. S. Cur. Fd.	109¾	110
5-20 Coupon, '65, Jan. and July	114¼	114¾			

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION
RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD,
MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY,
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
NO. 336 BROADWAY.
CAPITAL - $1,000,000

PAYS 4 PER CENT. INTEREST ON DEPOSITS SUBJECT TO CHECK AT SIGHT.
PAYS 5 PER CENT. INTEREST ON SPECIAL DEPOSITS FOR SIX MONTHS OR LONGER.
THE COMPANY IS A LEGAL DEPOSITORY FOR MONEYS PAID INTO COURT, AND RECEIVES MONEYS IN TRUST.
DARIUS R. MANGAM, President.
R. L. SOLOMON, Second Vice-President.
EZRA J. BANCROFT, First Vice-President.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.

SOUTHERN CENTRAL RAILROAD
OF NEW-YORK.
FIRST MORTGAGE
THIRTY-YEAR SEVEN PER CENT.
CONVERTIBLE SINKING FUND BONDS.
FOR SALE BY
VERMILYE & CO.,
BANKERS,
NOS. 16 AND 18 NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.

BANKING HOUSE OF
Geo. Opdyke & Co.
56 Wall-st.
CORNER OF CEDAR-ST.

FOUR PER CENT. interest allowed on current accounts, subject to check at sight.
PRIME INVESTMENTS for trust and other funds always on hand.
INVESTMENT ORDERS promptly executed for Government, Gold, Bonds and Stocks.
COLLECTIONS WANTED ON CHICAGO, KEOKUK, DES MOINES, IOWA CITY, ST. JOSEPH, and other points in the Western States.

DREXEL, MORGAN & CO.,
NO. 10 WALL-ST.,
Issue letters of credit for
TRAVELERS,
Available in all the principal cities of Europe, through
DREXEL, HARJES & CO.,
NO. 31 RUE SCRIBE,
PARIS.

HOWLES BROTHERS & CO.,
BANKERS,
Paris, No. 15 Rue de la Paix; New-York, No. 12 Wall-st.
Issue drafts on Paris and the Union Bank of London in sums to suit; also circular letters of credit for travelers, available throughout the world. Letters to the agents for travelers registered on receipt and delivery.
Agents for the Times in Europe.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
Issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE IN ALL PARTS of the WORLD.

THE FOLLOWING NOTICE HAS been sent to the Stockholders of the National Exchange Bank:

To the President of the Stock Exchange, New-York:

SIR: To comply with the third article of your by-laws, I hereby notify you that on January 1, 1870, $200,000 of convertible seven per cent. bonds, free of taxes, which we have to offer at par, without commission. One-half of said bonds are convertible at any time after their issue, and the other half after Jan. 1, 1872.

The purchasers are required to take the bonds as follows, viz.:

$100,000 in January, 1870, 1,000,000 July 15, 1870,	Convertible after issue.
1,000,000 Jan. 15, 1871, 1,000,000 in 1871 and 1872, as required,	Convertible after Jan. 1, 1872.

The object of this issue of bonds is to provide the means to complete several branch roads in course of construction, to provide additional rolling stock and the necessary terminal facilities at Dunkirk, Buffalo, whereby for the shipment of coal, new engine houses, siding, &c.

I believe the foregoing information is in strict conformity with your rules and regulations.
(Signed) FRANKLIN B. GOWEN, President.

STAR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 52 BROADWAY, Jan. 12, 1870.
AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of this Company, held Monday, Jan. 10, 1870, the following-named gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

Levi Apgar,	C. H. Applegate,	E. Jaques,
Jas. Flanagan,	Jas. Walker,	John R. Flanagan,
Daniel Ely,	A. Smith,	Jas. H. Hale,
John F. Pupke,	Jas. S. Barrow,	Ed. Smith,
Geo. Carter,	H. E. Thurber,	Thos. M. Wheeler,
W. M. Giles,	A. Eberhardt,	C. B. Richard,
Richard Ely,	Jas. Lenox,	Geo. Coe,
R. C. White,	E. T. Taft,	Allan Hay,
O. W. F. Ray,	John H. Holdane,	Alex. Bonnell,
E. A. Ely,	W. W. Owens,	T. C. Kimball,
F. A. Ely,	Jas. Gillespie,	

And at a meeting of the Board, held this day, NICHOLAS C. MILLER was elected President, JOHN R. FLANAGAN, Vice-President.
JAMES H. HODGES, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE EAGLE FIRE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1870.
AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of this Company, held on the 11th inst., the following-named gentlemen were elected:

JOHN O. JONES,	FELIX INGOLDSBY,
WM. H. ASPINWALL,	DANIEL E. FEARING,
ROBERT RAY,	JOSEPH SAMPSON,
ROBERT L. KENNEDY,	GEORGE A. JONES,
SANFORD COBB,	WILLIAM E. GUION.

JAMES A. ROOSEVELT,
At a subsequent meeting of the Board SANFORD COBB was unanimously re-elected President.
A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF CONSOLIDATION COAL CO. OF MD.,
No. 71 BROADWAY, New-York, Jan. 4, 1870.
IN CONFORMITY TO THE CHARTER of the company, notice of the time and place for the election of President and Trustees, and of the transaction of other business, will be held at noon on Wednesday, the 12th of January, 1870, at the office of the Company, No. 71 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the day of the meeting, the stock transfer books will be closed on Jan. 10, and remain so until after the election.
JAMES S. MACKIE, Vice-President.

UNION TRUST COMPANY OF NEW-YORK,
No. 73 BROADWAY, CORNER OF DUANE-ST.,
New-York, Jan. 11, 1870.
AN ELECTION FOR TEN TRUSTEES of the said Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 73 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 18, 1870, between the hours of 11 M. and 1 P. M.
SAMUEL D. MORGAN, Secretary.

SEABOARD AND ROANOKE RAILROAD COMPANY, THE FLORIDA RAILROAD COMPANY, the Moseley Branch Railroad Company, chartered by the State of Virginia, and the Gulf Railroad Company, by which the former road will be completed.

It is forty-eight miles in length, and the entire issue of the bonds is but $600,000. For sale by
E. K. PERUZ & CO., No. 32 Pine-st.

BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1870.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company will be held at the office, No. 206 Broadway, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26, 1870, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
JOHN WEAY, Secretary.

THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company are hereby called to attend a special meeting of the stockholders at the Company's office, No. 10 West Baltimore-st., in the City of Baltimore, on MONDAY, the 24th January, 1870, at 6 o'clock P. M., by order of the President and Board of Directors.
JOHN N. BROWN, Secretary and Treasurer.

121 PER CENT. INTEREST—CHEAP. Best securities in the market.
UNION PACIFIC LAND GRANT BONDS, bearing 7 per cent. interest, offered FOR SALE at 90½ and accrued interest. These bonds are taken at par in the purchase of the Company's lands.
CORNELL & STANTON, No. 40 Broad-st.

GAYLORD'S PATENT COUPLING and Manufacturing Company.—Five shares original stock for sale. L. A. PRINCE, No. 5 Wall-st.

FINANCIAL.

GOLD INVESTMENTS.
BANKING HOUSE OF
HENRY CLEWS & CO.,
NO. 32 WALL-ST.

We offer upon favorable terms the following gold-bearing bonds:

SEVEN PER CENT.
GOLD BONDS
AT 90,
FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX,
ISSUED BY THE
Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Minnesota Railroad Company,
FIRST MORTGAGE AND CONVERTIBLE,
AND PROTECTED BY A LIBERAL SINKING FUND.
INTEREST PAYABLE IN COIN AT NEW-YORK OR LONDON.
PRINCIPAL PAYABLE IN COIN IN FIFTY YEARS.

These Bonds at present prices yield over 8 per cent. more interest than United States 5-20s, while the security is as equally safe investment.

These Bonds are only issued upon each section of the road as fast as the road is completed and in actual operation. Over five and a half millions of dollars have been expended on the road. Sixty-three miles are nearly completed and equipped, and already show large earnings towards completion.

The State of Iowa, through which this road runs, is one of the richest agricultural sections in America. Its large population, extending with surprising rapidity, and its immense yields of grain, pork, wool and all other agricultural products, create a growing demand for the construction of a railway which affords the best available guarantee of the bondholders, particularly as the line runs through the wealthiest and most thickly-populated section of the State.

The road also runs through the rich and growing state of Minnesota to Redwood Falls, and when the United States will show that it traverses the most enterprising and growing portion of the West, and forms one of the great trunk lines in direct communication with New York, Chicago, and St. Louis, being in the latter city 90 miles nearer from Northern Iowa, and all portions of the State of Minnesota than by any other road now built or projected, and also the nearest route from Iowa to the Pacific Coast.

The road is owned for local traffic as rapidly as constructed, and that RECEIVES EARNINGS ON ITS COMPLETED SECTIONS SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS MADE BEFORE THE ROAD IS FINISHED. The buyer of these Bonds is, therefore, guaranteed, by a great business already in existence on the route of the road, as well as by the security of the road itself, not to risk any of the contractors' profits, always attend the opening of roads into new and unsettled country.

A limited quantity only of these Bonds are now offered at 90.

EIGHT PER CENT. GOLD BONDS
OF THE
SELMA, MARION AND MEMPHIS RAILROAD
INDORSED BY THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

These Bonds are payable, principal and interest, in coin, and are a FIRST MORTGAGE of $16,000 per mile, upon FINISHED AND COMPLETED ROAD, being issuable upon each section only when completed.

SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS
OF THE
BRUNSWICK AND ALBANY RAILROAD COMPANY OF GEORGIA.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD. GUARANTEED BY THE STATE OF GEORGIA; RUN FORTY YEARS; are a FIRST MORTGAGE of $10,000 per mile of constructed road, and are issued only as the road is fully completed and accepted by the State.

After a thorough investigation of the above enterprises, we recommend these bonds as first-class investments, affording absolute safety and paying an unusually liberal rate of interest. All marketable securities at their full market value received in exchange.
HENRY CLEWS & CO., Bankers,
No. 32 Wall-st.

BANKERS' AND BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
NO. 10 BROAD-ST.
LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY.
CAPITAL ... $1,000,000
PAID IN ... $500,000

TRUSTEES.

H. M. BENEDICT, Pres't Gold Ex. Bank.	G. T. BONNER, G. T. Bonner & Co.
J. L. BROWNELL, Jas. J. Brownell & Bro.	T. S. MARLOR, Marlor & Co.
T. E. MARVIN, Marvin Bros. & Co.	JAMES B. SMITH, Jennings, Smith & Cotting.
T. E. STOUT, Stout & Dickinson.	E. W. MARTIN, Jr., E. W. Martin, Jr., & Co.
A. M. FERRIS, A. M. Ferris & Bro.	JAMES E. COLGATE, Trimble & Colgate.
T. R. MUSGRAVE, Musgrave & Co.	RUFUS HATCH, No. 17 Broad-st.
	JOHN BONNER, John Bonner & Co.

Transacts a general banking business.
Receives deposits subject to check at sight, and allows 4 per cent. interest on daily balances.
Interest allowed on deposits for a specified time, as per agreement.
JOHN BONNER, President.
D. W. BEEDAY, Manager.

NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK,
New-York, Jan. 11, 1870.
AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of this bank, held on the 11th inst., the following-named gentlemen were duly elected, viz.:

WM. A. WHEELOCK,	HORACE GRAY,
HENRY A. SMYTHE,	CHAS. G. LANDON,
FRANCIS SKIDDY,	SIMON BERNHEIMER,
FRED. W. COGGILL,	NATHAN A. BALDWIN,
	ROBERT E. BEEDALL.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, held this day, Mr. WILLIAM A. WHEELOCK was unanimously re-elected President, and Mr. FRANCIS SKIDDY was unanimously re-elected Vice-President.
C. P. COLLER, Cashier.

CAPITAL, $600,000.
NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1870.
AT AN ELECTION OF THE DIRECTORS of this bank, held this day, the following-named gentlemen were unanimously elected Directors for the ensuing year, viz.:

John W. Mosenthal,	Joseph Britton,
John F. Hamilton,	Henry A. Folkemer,
Stephen Hyatt,	John M. Hayward,
Thomas Hyatt,	George W. Quintard,
John C. Chamberlain,	James M. Motley.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, ROBERT P. PERRINE was unanimously re-elected President.
G. C. BRINCKERHOFF, Cashier.

ROME, WATERTOWN AND OGDENSBURG RAILROAD,
NO. 16 COLLEGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 30, 1869.
DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE BOARD OF Directors of this Company have declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after the 15th of February next, to stockholders of record at the close of business on the 31st inst., when the transfer books will be closed.
Payment will be made in New-York only, and will be made at the Second Nat. Bank of New-York.
MARCELLUS MASSEY, Vice-President.

OFFICE OF THE SAWYER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, NO. 170 BOWERY.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1870.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Sawyer Manufacturing Company will be held at the office of the Company on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26, 1870, at 4 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Trustees, to serve for the ensuing year. Respectfully,
JOHN BOWMAN, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HUMBOLDT FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NO. 140 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1870.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand. A. WILLEY, Jr., Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

EIGHT PER CENT. GOLD
FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS
OF THE ISSUE OF
$2,000,000
BY THE
ST. JOSEPH AND DENVER CITY R. R. CO.,

in denominations of $1,000

SHIPPING.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

LAFAYETTE.....Roubaud...SATURDAY, Jan. 20
PEREIRE.....Duchesne...SATURDAY, Feb. 3
VILLE DE PARIS.....Surmont...SATURDAY, Feb. 10
ST. LAURENT.....Lenard...SATURDAY, Mar. 2

Rates of passage payable in gold, (including wine,) TO BREST OR HAVRE: First cabin, $100; second cabin, $60.

TO PARIS, including railway tickets, $140 and $80.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe by taking the steamers at this line, avoid the annoyance of Custom-house visits, and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 52 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

Java, Wednesday, Jan. 12 | Marathon, Thursday, Jan. 27
Alps, Thursday, Jan. 13 | Russia, Wednesday, Feb. 1
Tuba, Wednesday, Jan. 26 | Saxonia, Thursday, Feb. 2
Samaria, Thursday, Jan. 20 | Nemesis, Wednesday, Feb. 8
Cimbria, Wednesday, Jan. 26 | Tripoli, Thursday, Feb. 10

RATES OF PASSAGE.

By the Wednesday and Thursday steamers.
First Cabin.....$135 gold. Second Cabin.....$85 gold.
Steerage.....$35 gold.

By the Tuesday Steamers.
First Cabin.....$130 gold. Second Cabin.....$85 gold.
Steerage.....$35 gold.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.

Through bills of lading given for Boston, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.

For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's Office, No. 4 Bowling-green.

For steerage passage at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Buildings.

HENRY MARSHALL, Agent.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Cunard Line of Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Jan. 15, 1 P. M.
CITY OF BROOKLYN.....Saturday, Jan. 29, 2 A. M.
CITY OF BOSTON, (via Halifax).....Tuesday, Jan. 25, 12 M.

And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

BY THE MAIL STEAMERS SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.			
PAYABLE IN GOLD.		PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
First Cabin	$100	Steerage	$35
To London	105	To London	40
To Paris	115	To Paris	45

PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMER, VIA HALIFAX.

FIRST CABIN.		STEERAGE.	
PAYABLE IN GOLD.		PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
Liverpool	$80	Liverpool	$30
Halifax	20	Halifax	15
St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer	40	St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer	20

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.

Passage tickets here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.

For further information apply at the Company's Office.

JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LONDONDERRY.

THE ANCHOR LINE.

Favorite Clyde-built passenger Steamers, are intended to sail as follows:

COLUMBIA.....Jan. 15 | CALEDONIA.....Feb. 5
EUROPA.....Jan. 22 | COLUMBIA.....Feb. 12
INDIA.....Jan. 29 | CALEDONIA.....Feb. 19

and each SATURDAY thereafter, from Pier No. 20, North River, at 12 o'clock, noon.

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

Cabin, to Londonderry, Glasgow or Derry, $80 and $90. Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $140. Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; intermediate, $32. Prepaid Certificates from Glasgow or Derry, $30.

Passage tickets to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.

Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.

For further information apply on the steamers, foot of Day-st., or at the Company's offices, No. 7 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

FOR LIVERPOOL,
(VIA QUEENSTOWN),
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.

THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron screw steamships from PIER NO. 47 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY,

as follows:

IDAHO, Captain Curtis.....Feb. 15, at 7½ A. M.
NEVADA, Captain Grant.....Feb. 22, at 8 A. M.
COLORADO, Captain Williams.....Feb. 8, at 8 A. M.
NEBRASKA, Captain Grant.....Feb. 1, at noon.
MANHATTAN, Captain Forsyth.....Feb. 16, at 9 P. M.
MINNESOTA, Captain Price.....Feb. 22, at noon.

Cabin passage, $80 gold.
Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30 currency.

For freight or cabin passage apply to

WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 62 Wall-st.

NATIONAL LINE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN, From Pier No. 4 North River.

THE QUEEN, Thompson, Saturday, Jan. 22, at 9 A. M.
BERNARIA, Forbes, Saturday, Jan. 29, at 1 P. M.

Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and upwards. Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $27, currency.

Apply at the Company's office, No. 8 Broadway.

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
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FREIGHT AND PASSAGE GREATLY REDUCED.

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Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,

ON THE 8TH AND 23D OF EACH MONTH, except when these days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

One hundred pounds of baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

J. H. R.—ALASKA, Captain Gray, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Captain Lapidge.

Steamer AMERICA will leave San Francisco Feb. 1, 1870, for China and Japan.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

For reduced rates of freight apply on wharf. Freight for steamer ALASKA received until 4 P. M. on THURSDAY, Jan. 20. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting bills of lading, &c.

For freight or passage tickets, and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st. F. R. BABY, Agent.

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UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 2d of every month:

MERRIMACK, Capt. Wyse, Jan. 12.
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These splendid steamers sail on schedule time and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For shipments of freight or passage apply to

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New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line—Sailing every twenty days, from Pier No. 17 East River, at 12 noon. The splendid new steamers

CITY OF MEXICO, Capt. Lockwood, Thursday, Jan. 13.
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ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.

COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE.....Jan. 13
EAGLE, Captain H. R. GERRIS.....Jan. 20
MONO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS, via Nassau, Jan. 27

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AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.

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GREAT REDUCTION IN PASSENGER RATES TO ALL POINTS IN THE INTERIOR.

FOUR STEAMERS A WEEK,

TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY.

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LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, No. 66 Liberty-st.

SAN JACINTO, Captain ATKINS, SATURDAY, Jan. 15, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green.

HUNTSVILLE, Captain CROWELL, SATURDAY, Jan. 15, from Pier No. 14 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 63 West-st.

VIRGO, Captain QUINLEY, TUESDAY, Jan. 18, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents, Nos. 61 and 62 South-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.,
THE FLORIDA PORTS, THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST—REGULAR LINE.

The splendid steamship MAGNOLIA, M. B. CROWELL, Commander, will sail

THURSDAY, Jan. 13, 1870, at 3 P. M.

from Pier No. 6 North River, foot of Rector-st.

Bills of lading signed at office, No. 366 Washington-st.

Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest.

Agents in Charleston (Stevens & Co.) forward all goods free of commission. Insurance effected at this office at one-half of one per cent.

ARTHUR LEARY, Agent, No. 16 William-st.

The splendid SARAGOSSA will follow Jan. 25.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families or gentlemen going to Europe via Continent of Europe, who can select the season of a year (as should be done) to avoid the cold weather, will find it valuable in relieving the traveler from the multiplicity of cares and troubles frequented perhaps, even under the most favorable circumstances, in a journey, and secure accommodation, by protecting the traveler from imposition, and an liability of money exacted to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying in the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 1 Rue Castiglione, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

SHIPPING.

FOR HAVRE.

VIA PENSACOLA AND MOBILE.

THE FLORIDA RAILROAD COMPANY WILL DISPATCH THE FIRST-CLASS STEAMSHIP CATHARINE WHITING, Captain HOWES,

On THURSDAY, Jan. 13, from Pier No. 35 North River, at 3 P. M. Cargo delivered without lighterage in Mobile.

For freight or passage apply to

H. B. BARCOCK,
President Steamship Company.

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GREAT INSIDE ROUTE—SHORTEST AND MOST DIRECT.

Fare always as low as by any other line.

The new and fast steamers STONINGTON and WAKAGAMENETT, Capt. Wm. H. Crane, Capt. Geo. E. Hull, Leave Pier No. 2, foot of Jay-st., North River, at 5 P. M.

Arriving ahead of all other lines.

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FOR BOSTON,
Via Fall River, leaving at Newport.
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Commander Lewis, Commander Simmons, leave daily (Sundays excepted) at 4 P. M., from Pier No. 39, North River.

JAMES FISK, JR., President.
M. B. SIMONS, Managing Director.
C. H. VALE, General Passenger Agent.
H. H. MANGAM, Freight Agent.

HUDSON RIVER DAY LINE.

A fast steamer CONNECTICUT will resume her trips to Albany and Troy, leaving Pier 41 N. R. every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 4 P. M.

Passengers and Freights taken at low rates for the West and North.

FOR BRIDGEPORT, AND ALL points on Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroads.—Pier 8, E. Ambrose leaves Catharine-slip at 12 noon.

FOR NEW HAVEN, HARTFORD, &C.—Pier 8, E. Ambrose leaves Peck-slip for New Haven at 3:45 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

RAILROADS.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Trains leave 30th-st. as follows:

8:00 A. M., Albany express, with Chicago express, starting from Albany connecting.

10:30 A. M., day express, drawing-room cars attached.

4:00 P. M., Mail express, drawing-room cars attached.

5:30 P. M., Poughkeepsie express, with sleeping cars through to Chicago without change, via N. Y. Central Railroad, also L. S. and M. S. Railroad, (daily.)

11:00 P. M., Albany night express, sleeping cars attached.

7:00 A. M., 3:30 and 5:30 P. M., Poughkeepsie trains.

8:00 A. M., 3:15 and 5:30 P. M., Peekskill trains.

4:00 and 5:30 P. M., Chatham trains.

8:00, 7:00, 9:30 A. M., 12 M., 2:30, 4:30, 5:30, 7 and 11:30 P. M., Yonkers trains.

(8:00 A. M. to Poughkeepsie Sundays.)

Nov. 15, 1869. J. M. TOUCEY, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE Chambers-st. and foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st. as follows:

For Piermont, Nyack, Haverstraw, Tuxedo, Chester, Otisville and Way at 9 A. M., 12 M., 3:30 P. M. (daily), 3:45 P. M. (Sundays only), 4:30 P. M. (daily), 5:30 P. M., 6:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. (daily). From Chambers-st. Depot, at 7:30 A. M., 10 A. M., 2:30 P. M., 4:15 P. M., 5:45 P. M., 6:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. (daily). From 23d-st. Depot, at 7:45 A. M., 10:45 A. M., 2:45 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:45 P. M., 6:30 P. M. and 7:15 P. M. (daily). Sundays only, 8:45 A. M., 4:45 P. M. and 6:45 P. M.

For Newburgh and Way at 8 A. M., 2:30 and 4:30 P. M. (6:45 A. M. to Salisbury Mills). From Chambers-st. Depot, at 8 A. M., 2:30 P. M. and 4:30 P. M. From 23d-st. Depot, at 8:45 A. M., 2:45 P. M. and 4:45 P. M.

For Goshen and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 10:45 A. M., 12:45 P. M., 3:45 P. M., 4:15 P. M., 6:45 P. M., 7:15 P. M. and Saturdays only, 12 M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 1 P. M., 3:30 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:30 P. M., 6:30 P. M. and Saturdays only, 12 M.

Tickets for passage and for apartments in Drawing Rooms and Sleeping Coaches can be obtained, and orders for the transportation of baggage and freight left at the Company's offices, Nos. 241, 243 and 247 Broadway; corner 13th-st. and 6th-av.; Harlem; No. 526 Fulton-st., Brooklyn; depots foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st.; foot of Duane-st.; No. 2 Exchange-place and Long Dock Depot, Jersey City, and of the agents at the principal hotels.

* To Piermont only.

I. D. BUCKLEY, Gen'l Supt. WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass'r Ag't.

SOUTH SIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—Winter Arrangement.—On and after Oct. 25 the trains will leave the Brooklyn and Greenpoint ferries, foot of Fulton-st., as follows: 7:30 A. M., freight and passenger for Patchogue; 10 A. M., for Montauk; 4:30 P. M., express to Patchogue; 4:45 P. M., accommodation for Islip, on Saturdays through to Patchogue; 6:00 P. M., for Babylon; 11:30 P. M., night for Babylon. All trains connect at Valley Stream, except the Montauk late and early trains.

C. W. DOUGLAS, Superintendent.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC notice is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by persons interested, viz.:

First—For laying Nicolson pavement in Pilletsh-street, from First-avenue to the East River.

Second—For laying Nicolson pavement in Fifty-first-street, from Fifth to Madison-avenue.

Third—For laying Belgian pavement in Four-teenth-street, from Eighth to Ninth-avenue.

Fourth—For laying Belgian pavement in Forty-first-street, from Fifth to Madison-avenue.

Fifth—For laying Belgian pavement in West Washington-place, from Fourth-street to Sixth-avenue.

Sixth—For building sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-first-street, from Fifth to Eighth-avenue.

The limits embraced by the assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated as follows:

First—Both sides of Pilletsh-street, from First-avenue to the East River, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Second—Both sides of Fifty-first-street, from Fifth to Madison-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Third—Both sides of Fourteenth-street, from Eighth to Ninth-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Fourth—Both sides of Forty-first-street, from Fifth to Madison-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Fifth—Both sides of West Washington-place, from Fourth-street to Sixth-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets; the southerly side of Bonnie-street, between Grove and Barrow streets, and the northerly side of Fourth-street, between Barrow-street and Sixth-avenue.

Sixth—Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-first-street, from Fifth to Sixth-avenue, the westerly side of Fifth-avenue, and the easterly side of Sixth-avenue, between One Hundred and Thirteenth and One Hundred and Thirty-first streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to Emanuel B. Hart, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19 Chatham-street, within thirty days after the date of this notice.

EMANUEL B. HART,
RICHARD TWEED,
THOMAS R. ASTEN,
RICHARD N. HENRY,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1870.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF the Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against SARAH DIXON, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his office, No. 38 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 1st day of June, 1870.—Dated New-York, the 19th day of December, 1869.

AVERY S. BROWN, Executor.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

$15,000.—TO $20,000.—A PARTY holding a lease of a valuable food store, and controlling a trade of over $60,000, in goods in general use by grocers, which pay a good profit, wishes to make a change, and would give there capital, with the view of developing a large trade, the lease. Address "CASH SALES," Box No. 109 Tribune Office.

FOR SALE—THE STOCK, FIXTURES AND good will of a confectionery and ice-cream shop, in a good locality, and doing a good business; reason for selling, being to leave the City. Inquire of N. CROSS, No. 23 8th-av.

CRUDE OIL, REFINERY—ONE-HALF OF the whole capacity, 50 barrels a week, on East River; small amount of cash required, and upon easy terms. Apply at No. 242 South-st.

FOR SALE—THE MACHINERY AND UNexpired lease of the Bristol Pot Mill, at private sale. Apply to S. H. CORNING, No. 25 Rose-st., New-York.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT DRESSmaker and seamstress, a few more engagements to go out in private families by the day or week; is an excellent cutter and fitter of ladies' and children's clothes, and can make them in the latest style; sews by machine and hand; has the best of City references if required. Call or address MRS. ANN, No. 320 East 12th-st., first floor.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROFESSED cook; understands all kinds of cooking; confectionery of all kinds. Can make a good pastry cook; first-class housekeeper; such as want a competent, respectable, faithful woman will find one; will give the best City references, at No. 248 Bleecker-st., between 6th and 7th-sts., all dressed, or address M. A., Washington Square P. O., stating where to call on or address as a good place.

WANTED—SITUATIONS BY TWO COMPEtent women; one as first-class cook; understands all kinds of plain and fancy dishes, and all kinds of fine washing and ironing; the other to do chamber work and plain sewing; has the best of City references. Apply at No. 200 West 52d-st., near 7th-av., first floor.

WANTED—A HOUSEKEEPER'S SITUATION; a woman in a hotel or widower's family; no objection to the country; has good references. Can be seen at No. 109 4th-av., second floor, and will work for the interest of her employer.

WANTED—A LADY IS DESIROUS OF finding a good place for a faithful honest girl, trustworthy young woman, who thoroughly understands all kinds of plain sewing; is an excellent baker; has City best of references; no objection to travel; can take the entire charge of a baby from its birth. Call at No. 204 4th-av., one door from Bleecker.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT PROTESTant young woman, a situation as cook in a private family; understands her business; has good recommendations; is a good bread and biscuit maker; has no children; is quiet and pleasant. The best of City references given. Call at No. 32 2d-av.

WANTED—A COOK'S SITUATION BY A Swedish girl, just arrived; has no friends in this country; would prefer a family of adults; is a good cook; understands her business; has good recommendations; is a cheerful baker; has City best of references. Call at No. 215 4th-av.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WIDOW woman a situation as nurse; nurse or nurse to an invalid; would make herself useful and obliging; has the best of City references. Call at No. 64 Bedford-st., for two days, from 12 to 4 P. M., or address, care of Box 1,000, Tribune Office, 154 Nassau-st., second-av., third floor, back room.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young woman as competent waitress in a private family; nothing out laughing; best of City references; can be seen at No. 344 West 34th-st., near 10th-av.

WANTED—A FEW GENTLEMEN'S OR families' washing; by a woman who is a good washer and ironer; is accurate; living, inquire of Mrs. DILLON, at No. 10 West 33d-st., top floor, front room, No. 1, in the rear.

WANTED—BY A SCOTCH PROTESTANT girl, can bring it up by bottle or hand; has no objections to go a short distance in the country; the best of City references given. Call at No. 22 West 34th-st.

WANTED—A LADY DESIRES TO PROcure a situation for a young woman, whom she can recommend as a faithful and skillful cook; prefers a situation in a large child family; would take a lady's or gentleman's; unexceptionable references. Address Box No. 1,000 Tribune Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTESTant young woman as a nurse; has the best of City references; would prefer a family where there are no other servants; would make herself useful; is a good plain sewer; is willing to do anything; is a good cook; is a good baker; has no children; is quiet and pleasant. The best of City references. Call at No. 32 2d-av.

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WANTED—BY A YOUNG MAN LEAVING the best City and out of country employment, a situation as private waiter; none but strictly private families need apply; address F. P. M., care A. T. T., No. 207 4th-av., for one week.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN ENGlishman as gardener and groom; is to take charge of good horses; can come well recommended. Call on or address R. C., harness store, No. 1,203 Broadway.

WANTED—BY AN ENGLISHMAN, A SITUation as coachman and groom; married, no family; Protestant. Address J. D., Box No. 38 Tribune Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS BARKEEPER or clerk in a living bar; with best City references for both occupations. Inquire of W. M., at the saloon, No. 203 4th-av., corner 19th-st.

CLERKS AND SALESMEN.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG man, can speak German, Dutch and English; is 22 years of age; has had five years business experience, four years of which in a wholesale grocery; has had considerable experience as bookkeeper, and has had considerable experience as salesman; would prefer some position in which his acquaintance would be available; can give good references; can be willing to devote himself to the interests of his employer; address Box No. 1,000 Tribune Office.

PAPER WAREHOUSE—WANTED, A situation by a young man as salesman; can give good reference; he has had some two years' experience, and can command $100,000 trade per year; salary must be reasonable; address Box No. 1,000 Tribune Office.

WANTED—BY A MAN OF LARGE EXPErience in business, a situation in a large wholesale house or credit clerk; unexceptionable references. Address Box No. 1,000 Post Office.

HELP WANTED.

TO THE WORKING CLASS.—We are now in need of individuals of both sexes to work for us in their own localities, for which we will pay the sum of $5 for every evening they may devote to the business, which is of a very light and profitable character, and which any one can do who is willing to devote their whole time to the business. We will furnish the means for carrying on the business, which are all of a nature that will be entirely free from any risk whatever. Those who are willing to devote their whole time to the business should send their address, and test the business for themselves. Address, GEORGE STINSON & CO., Portland, Maine.

WANTED—A SCOTCHMAN, GERMAN OR colored man, who can come well recommended, as general house servant; one of a home and cow, on a small place near the City; no objection to a man and wife if without children. Address, with references, C. W. W., Box No. 140 Tribune Office.

WANTED—A NURSERY GOVERNESS, who is well versed in the English branches and who is able to teach music; also, a lady as general assistant; only a lady need apply. Apply at No. 204 Washington-av., between Green and Gates ave., Brooklyn.

WANTED—A GOOD COOK, WASHER AND ironer to go to Orange, N. J. One well recommended can apply to J. S. PORTER, No. 45 Beekman-st., New-York.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

NO. 359 5TH-AV., BETWEEN 31ST and 32d-sts.—Two elegantly furnished suite of rooms, consisting of an entire second floor or six communicating rooms, with private bath, which they had occupied till May, 1869, are now vacant; the rooms are in perfect order, and their rent value, in order that an immediate tenant be secured immediately; this suite offered with first-class board.

TO LET—A FRONT AND BACK PARLOR, tastefully furnished, to one or two gentlemen, with board, in a good locality, convenient to University Place and Broadway cars; terms moderate. Call at No. 21 West 22d-st.

A SINGLE GENTLEMAN CAN OBTAIN the use of a newly furnished room on second floor, of a first-class house, located in Washington-sq., near 4th-av.; family strictly private. Address, with name, S., Box No. 56 Post Office.

A PRIVATE FAMILY FROM BUFFALO having more room than they require will let, with or without private table, together or separately, three rooms on the second floor; highest references given and required. For particulars call on 720 Fifth-av.

NO. 2 NORTH WASHINGTON-SQUARE.—Elegantly furnished rooms for two families and a few transient boarders; all modern improvements; fronting the park; table and appointments unexceptionable; references exchanged.

NO. 52 EAST 30TH-ST.—FURNISHED rooms to let, with or without board, to gentlemen only; house and location very desirable; French private family; references.

NO. 1 ABINGDON-SQUARE, CORNER of Bank.—Desirable rooms, furnished en suite or singly, with or without board; or would let rooms with privilege of cooking. Terms moderate.

NO. 24 WEST 35TH-ST., NEAR MADIson-square.—Desirable furnished rooms for gentlemen, without board, in a first-class house; choice locations.

A PLEASANT BED AND SITTING ROOM, in a private family; every modern convenience; references required. No. 37 Clinton-place.

ACCOMMODATIONS WITH FIRST-class board. Apply at No. 143 East 34th-st., near Gramercy Park. References exchanged.

NO. 250 4TH-AV.—TO LET, HANDSOMELY furnished rooms, parlor floor, in a private family; references required.

NO. 165 WEST 34TH-ST.—TWO NICELY furnished rooms, either with or without board, in private family.

ROOM TO LET—WITH FIRE AND GAS, to a single gentleman, in a private family. Inquire at No. 6 East 16th-st. References exchanged.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.—ELIJAH WHITING, WILLIAM R. GRAY and THOMAS H. FRAZY, doing business under the firm name of Wm. R. Gray & Co.—Summons for a money demand on contract.—To the defendant, Ann Eliza Whiting, late of New-York: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City Hall, in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers, at their office, No. 122 Broadway, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of $1,000, with interest thereon from the 8th day of December, 1869, besides the costs and disbursements of this action.—Dated Dec. 11, 1869.

BENEDICT & BOARDMAN,
Plaintiff's Attorneys,
No. 122 Broadway, New-York.

The complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, on the 10th day of December, 1869.

BENEDICT & BOARDMAN,
Plaintiff's Attorneys,
d16-law6wTh* No. 122 Broadway, New-York.

SUPREME COURT.—WALTER L. CUTTING, committee of the estate of Elijah Whiting, lunatic, against PATTY LINCOLN, Edward Bullard, Jonathan Bullard, Julia Westcott and Everett Westcott, by their guardian, Jonathan Westcott, Orson Newton, her husband, Mary A. Loomis and Gordon S. Loomis, her husband, Henry Bullard, John A. Bullard, Rebecca Whiting and Nathaniel Whiting, heirs at law of said Elijah Whiting, lunatic, and Hannah (or Caroline) Bullard, Hattie (or Harriet) N. Bullard and William S. Batchelder, Administrator, &c., in Massachusetts, of the said Elijah Whiting, deceased.—Summons for a money demand on contract.—To the defendants above named: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which was this day filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer on the subscribers, at their office, No. 31 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated Aug. 9, 1869.

BENEDICT & BENEDICT, Plff's Attys.

The complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City of Brooklyn, on the 21st day of December, 1869.

BENEDICT & BENEDICT, Plff's Attys.

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A. DODWORTH'S
CLASSES FOR DANCING,

At No. 806 Broadway, on Mondays, Thursdays, or Tuesdays and Fridays.

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Also, classes on Mondays and Thursdays, for children, at 3 P. M., at No. 806 Broadway, and Saturdays, at 10 A. M., at No. 681 Broadway.

Private lessons at any hour, day or evening, by appointment.

A. DODWORTH, Private classes and classes out of town attended by Mr. T. J. DODWORTH, Head Dancing Master.

DE GARMO'S
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From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1870.

The Speaker of the Assembly continues unusually ill at his rooms. In the Delevan House, and Mr. JACOBS presided again to-day in his place. Too only incident of the day worthy of note in the Lower House, was the passage of the act authorizing free liquor in the City of New-York from now till the 1st of May, or until the Democracy shall have recognized or abolished the Excise Commission. The act provides that the present Excise Commissioners shall take no proceedings towards the collection of fees for licenses, nor revoke any licenses for the non-payment of fees from the passage of the act until the 1st of May next. The vote on the passage of the act stood 72 to 31, the Republican members from New-York and Brooklyn both voting in the affirmative. It was stated, with what truth I know not, that the Excise Commissioners desired the passage of such a bill.

LEGISLATING REPUBLICANS OUT OF OFFICE.

Mr. MOSELEY, Chairman of the Salt Committee, introduced a bill to abolish the office of Superintendent of Salt Springs, and substitute in his stead a Board of Commissioners, consisting of one Chief and two Deputy Commissioners. The object of this move is to oust the present Superintendent, who is a Republican, and fill his place with Democrats. Mr. MOSELEY ought to read one of Governor HOFFMAN's many powerful speeches against Republicans for legislating Democrats out of office.

DEMOCRATIC RETRENCHMENT.

The first practical illustration of the Democratic cry of "retrenchment" has been made by Mr. PATRICK, of Chemung, who introduced a bill to increase the salaries of all the clerks and deputies in the various departments of the State Government. With gold at 130, Democrats find it impossible to subsist on salaries that were deemed ample for Republicans when gold was at 100.

THE SENATE.

Nothing was done in the Senate to-day deserving of particular mention. After a few bills had been introduced there was a long pause, and in response to the Lieutenant-Governor's interrogatory as to "what was the further pleasure of the Senate?" Mr. GERRY moved that, inasmuch as there appeared to be no further business before the body, the Senate do now adjourn. Senator Chapman inquired whether there was not to be an Executive Session to-day. At these words Senator MURPHY, who had been reading a newspaper, jumped up and responded, "Yes, certainly." Mr. GERRY being appealed to, consented to withdraw his motion for an adjournment, remarking that "he was not aware that the Senator from the Third District (MURPHY) had any nominations to send in to the Senate." Mr. MURPHY said he had received information from the Governor that certain names would be sent in to-day for confirmation, and he moved that the Senate take a recess until 12 o'clock, which was carried. On reassembling, the Senate went into Executive Session, when it turned out that the "names" aforesaid were merely candidates for notaries public, with the addition of one Indian agent. It would appear, therefore, that the contest between the Governor and TWEED over the appointment of Health Officer for New-York is not yet settled. There is also a fierce strife going on for the offices of Harbor Master and Port Warden, and Albany is flooded with candidates from all parts of the State. Republican incumbents of these offices will be enabled to hold on a week longer through the inability of the Democracy to settle their own quarrels, and agree upon their successors.

AFTER AUDITOR BELL'S PLACE.

Senator HARDENBERGH, Chairman of the Canal Committee, to-day introduced a bill to abolish the contract system on the canals, and also the office of Auditor of the Canal Department, now filled by Mr. BELL, a Republican. The bill proposes to create a Chief Clerk of the Canal Board, who shall perform the functions of Auditor. The Democracy are evidently determined that no Republican shall hold an office, however small, in any Department of the State Government.

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THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

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CLERKS APPOINTED.

The Clerk announced the following appointments: Journal Clerk, CHARLES R. DATTON, of Suffolk County; Assistant Journal Clerk, FRANK B. BROWN, of Steuben; Deputy Journal Clerks, CHAS. J. GAYLORD, of Dutchess County; GEO. BREAK, of Monroe County; CHAS. E. JOHNSON, of Westchester County. Clerks' Bank Messenger, ROBERT D. CRANE.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. CAULDWELL—Incorporating Morrisania with a part of the town of West Farms.

By Mr. HARDENBERG—To abolish the Contracting Board and the system of repairing the canals by contract.

By Mr. CREAMER—Repealing the act creating the New-York City License law.

By Mr. HARDENBERG—Organizing General Terms, &c., of the Supreme Court under the amended Judiciary article.

By Mr. MORTON—To have the Central Park roads lighted with gas.

THE BROOKLYN CITY COURT.

Senator MURPHY's bill provides that the City Court of Brooklyn shall consist of three Judges, including the Judge of the City Judge of Brooklyn, and there shall be elected at the ensuing election, whose term of office shall commence July 1, 1870. Section 2 of the bill just introduced, supposes to amend the act of 1869, chap. 94, relative to criminal jurisdiction, as follows: The said three Judges, or any of them, shall hold a Court of civil jurisdiction with power over the following subjects: Actions for real property; for the foreclosure or satisfaction of mortgages on real or personal property; for recovery of personal property detained for any cause; to all other actions where the cause of action have arisen in said city; to actions against State officers; to actions for partition of real estate of infants, with same power in such cases as is given the Supreme Court; to appoint guardians; to dower; for sale of real property of habitual drunkards, lunatics, or other persons of unsound mind; to compel specific performance by infant heirs, or other persons, of contracts with persons dying seized of property; to compel by religious corporations of their property; to actions against foreign corporations which have property in said city, or an agency therein; for care and custody of idiots, or other persons of unsound mind, &c.

The Senate took a recess, and met again at 12 o'clock.

THE CONSPIRACY ACT.

The Conspiracy act was received from the Assembly for concurrence.

Mr. M. NORTON moved its reference to the Committee of the Whole.

Mr. KENNEDY moved its reference to the Judiciary Committee; lost by 19 to 12.

The motion to refer to the Committee of the Whole was lost, 18 to 9—not a two-thirds vote—and the bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The Senate then went into Executive Session, but soon reopened the doors and adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

Mr. FIELDS reported in favor of adopting the fifty-second rule relative to resolutions, which shall take up every day. Agreed to.

The bill amending the Conspiracy law was passed.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. O'KEEFE—To charter the Nassau Savings Bank, of Brooklyn.

By Mr. IRVING—To extend Madison-avenue, New-York.

By Mr. KIRKMAN—To enable the Mayor, &c., of New-York to insure property against loss by fire. Also amending the act of 1868 relative to the New-York City Courts.

By Mr. M. C. MURPHY—To charter the Ladies' Aid Society of New-York.

By Mr. HIRCHFIELD—Amending the law of 1866 to increase the salaries of the interpreters of the Police Court officers.

By Mr. NACHTMANN—For the relief of LOUISA CAMPBELL; also to prevent the selling of hay, straw, &c., from stationary boats at New-York docks.

By Mr. HUNTER—Amending the New-York and Brooklyn wharfage act.

The bill proposes to establish the following rates of wharfage: From any vessel of 200 tons making fast to a pier, wharf or bulkhead, two cents per ton for first 30 hours, and one-half of one per cent. per ton for every additional ten, except coal, lumber and lighters, which shall be at two-thirds above rates.

By Mr. HERNSTEDT—Amending the law of 1866 relative to the Marshal of New-York City.

The bill provides for the repeal of all laws relative to the election of constables in the City of New-York, and the appointment hereafter by the Justices of the District Courts of all like Marshals.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. JACOBS—That the Committee on City Affairs report as soon as possible a bill to restore to cities their local governments, and abolishing Commissions. Adopted.

Mr. HAY called up the resolution instructing the Canal Board to reduce the tolls on anthracite coal transportation on the canals, and on motion of Mr. [illegible] it was referred to the Canal Committee.

Mr. BAKER called up the resolution directing the survey of the canal in Whitehall and report the cost, &c.

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By Mr. M. C. MURPHY—That the Railroad Committee report back with the condition of the Freemen's Journal in New-York. Agreed to.

CONDITION OF SEWER PIPES IN NEW-YORK.

The House went into Committee to consider the bill for extending the time for collecting Excise fees in the City of New-York. It was amended so as to extend the time till the 1st of June, and then reported to the House and put on the final passage, and passed 72 to 37.

LOCOMOTIVES BELOW CANAL-STREET.

Mr. M. C. MURPHY moved that the Railroad Committee report a bill to prohibit the Hudson River Railroad Company from running steam engines in New-York south of Canal-street.

A CONTESTED SEAT.

Mr. MURPHY, of Albany, stated that after he had been appointed to the Committee on Privileges and Elections a petition contesting his seat had been presented, and he asked to be excused from serving on that Committee. Agreed to.

Adjourned.

LABOR MOVEMENTS.

Important Meeting of Cigar Manufacturers—The Present Depression and Its Remedy.

A meeting of much importance to the cigar manufacturing interests of the United States was held yesterday afternoon, at No. 570 Water-street. The meeting elected officers for the ensuing year, Mr. HIRSCH being reelected President, Mr. JACOBI Vice-President, and Mr. STRAUSS Secretary. The other officers of the Association were also reelected.

The main business of the evening was then gone into. This was the consideration of the question of the present depression in the American cigar manufacture trade, and the bearing of that depression upon the partial and threatened general strike of cigarmakers in this City. It was the general opinion that at present the trade is so bad that it is very difficult for the manufacturers to pay the present rate of wages and continue to make any profit whatever. Mr. STORMS, proprietor of one of the largest cigar manufactories in New-York, stated that on careful examination he found that the cigarmakers earned at present an average of only $12 per week. He did not see how they could live on less than this, and while during the past year the profits on the business of his own houses had been altogether incommensurate with the quantity of cigars manufactured and sold he was opposed to any attempt at reduction of wages. He thought some relief must be looked for in legislation. The old tariff of $2 and 50 per cent. ad valorem per pound, on the imported article, must be enforced instead of the present tariff of $2 50 per pound and 25 per cent. ad valorem.

Other speakers followed and the opinion was unanimous that the National Tobacco Association, by wealthy body, in connection with the National Labor Union of the United States, should take immediate steps to obtain either a return to the old tariff on the imported article or complete exemption of the home grown tobacco from taxation. Then American manufacturers could compete with the foreign trade and pay competitive wages to their workmen.

It was resolved not to attempt an equalization of wages but to leave each cigar manufacturer to make his own terms with workmen. Any attempt at a reduction from the present rate of wages was decidedly discountenanced. A deputation headed by Mr. KEIM, was present from the Cigarmakers Union, and agreed in the opinion that both manufacturers and workmen should work strenuously together to obtain favorable legislation on this question.

Meetings Last Night.

The First Cooperative Building Association received $421 last night.

The dry goods clerks held their first meeting in their new hall, in Plimpton Building, last evening. They intend taking out a charter as a benevolent society. They will give an invitation ball on the 17th of February at Irving Hall.

The Phoenix Building Association reports having received $3,036 62 last year. Their outlays were $722 80. They have property worth $3,300, and $1,018 62 in bank. Three shares are still to be taken up.

The Gilders' Protective Association held a meeting last night and resolved to support the men in WILLARD's shop in the event of their going out on strike, which they will do if the reduction of their wages ten cents an hour is carried into effect.

The New-York Engineers' Protective Society at No. 195 Bowery, last night exhibited a new patent fire brush, invented by P. R. COYLE, of Newark, N. J.

The shoe clerks early closing movement is making good headway.

The German cabinet makers met at No. 162 Fourth-street last night to organize a mutual benefit and life insurance association among themselves.

The Executive Committee of the Cigar Makers Union met at Turner Hall last night. A Committee, which had attended the Manufacturers' Association, reported that no reduction of wages would be made. The manufacturers have also invited the cigar makers to join them in a petition to Congress for the enforcement of the old tariff on imported cigars—$2 per pound and 50 per cent. ad valorem—or else an abolishment or great reduction of the duty on raw tobacco.

Newark Workingmen's Building and Loan Association.

The annual meeting of this society was held at Newark on Tuesday evening, and the Secretary reported that the shares had increased considerably during the past year, and now numbered 968. The receipts for the past year were $70,141 61; and cash on hand $141 61. The ballot for officers resulted in the election of Mr. JAMES MULLER for President, and Mr. GEO. W. FREY for Secretary of the Association.

Premature Explosion of a Blast—Two Men Injured.

A premature explosion of a blast occurred about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the Fleetwood Park Race Course, now being constructed in the town of Morrisania, and resulted in two persons, named OWEN BRADY and JOHN COURTNEY, being very seriously injured. They had just prepared the blast, and were about lighting the fuse, when, from some unknown cause, the blast exploded, and blew BRADY about thirty feet, and COURTNEY a still greater distance. BRADY's face was rendered almost black from the effects of the powder and badly cut. COURTNEY was badly cut, and it is feared that he will lose one of his eyes. The injured men were placed under the care of Dr. MELIAN, who dressed the wounds.

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Mr. Sawyer came to him in regard to the loan; represented himself to be the attorney for the owners of the bonds, and asked him to sell them in the market, stating that there was $40,000 to be paid on them; $70,000 completed and he directed him to draw a check for $30,000 in favor of the President of the National Trust Company, Broadway, and $5,000 in favor of Mr. J. J. Bowman; Mr. Sawyer obtained the bonds for witness, cashier, and received in return $5,000; it was a person named Nelson Quirke first informed him of the loan, and he said he would protect him against any loss; witness sold $80,000 worth of the bonds which proved to be lost, and he instituted a lawsuit in attachment against General Littlefield, who owned them, and got good bonds in their stead; had he known this previous to paying Mr. Sawyer $5,000 he would have instituted to do so.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sawyer—In this transaction I understood you to be attorney for the owners of the bonds and not for Mr. Bowman; I remember interrupting you then $80,000 worth of the bonds were had beyond; not tell me to discontinue the sale of them; I put the bonds the same time that you received the $5,000, and they were purported to be signed by C. Campbell; I was not aware that Mr. Campbell was a minor when I disposed of the bonds; I never saw Mr. Campbell and know him only by the owner; you brought me the order from him signed with his name; you made the same to me; I supposed you got your share; you sold me Campbell was an ex-Alderman, and was represented to you to be a man of wealth.

To Mr. Shepherd—I had a conversation with my lawyer in reference to this transaction, and he said I had been swindled; Mr. Sawyer stated to me that these bonds were to be sold.

No other witness was examined and Mr. MORGAN submitted his case.

Judge LEWIS considered that the case was not established, as it was not proved that Mr. CAMPBELL, the complainant sustained any loss whatever. We therefore dismiss the charge.

Retailers of Liquid Death.

The following named dealers were presented to the Board of Health yesterday as retailers of dangerous kerosene:

Adam Bishoff, No. 430 East Fifteenth-street; Bernard Kurz, No. 430 East Fifteenth-street; Francis Julien, No. 427 East Fifteenth-street; McDonald Brothers, No. 161 Third-avenue; W. C. Burdick, No. 207 Third-avenue; Mrs. Bovier, No. 199 Rivington-street, (explosion the 7th;) Richard Fudelman, No. 193 Rivington-street; Andreas Trabert, No. 418 East Fifteenth-street; Henry Seiter, No. 426 East Fifteenth-street; John Farrell, No. 427 East Fifteenth-street.

The Gold Exchange Bank.

From the American Gold Register, compiled by Mr. J. C. MERGENEAU, the Registrar of the New-York Gold Exchange, it appears that the daily gold clearings at the Gold Exchange Bank during the year 1869, were as follows for the months named: January, $1,231,000,000; February, $1,465,000,000; March, $2,261,000,000; April, $1,359,000,000; May, $2,900,000,000; June, $1,945,000,000; July, $1,597,000,000; August, $2,021,000,000; September, $1,840,000,000; November, $157,000,000; December, $1,377,000,000. The operations of the Gold Exchange Bank were suspended Sept. 24, and not again resumed until Nov. 22.

Danger in the Navigation of the East River.

We are requested to call attention of Captains of vessels navigating the East River to a buoy, placed about 100 yards west of the Dye Works at Greenpoint, marking a sunken boat, with only nine feet water over her at low water.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

At the meeting of the Board of Excise yesterday thirty-one new applications for licenses in New-York and nine in Brooklyn were granted. Only one case of violation of the Excise law was tried, HENRY SEIFER, of No. 16 Sixth-avenue, being the defendant.

During Tuesday last a daring thief managed to sneak unobserved into the office of HARRISON & CO., No. 36 South-street, where he picked up a tin box from the counter, with which he escaped. The box contained $100 in money, a gold watch and chain and two bank checks for various sums. No trace of either the thief or the property has yet been found.

HENRY B. JOHNSON, of No. 510 Fifth-avenue, made complaint before Justice COX, yesterday, against JAMES HIGGINS, GEORGE STONDARD and WM. HAZELL, who had been arrested for stealing a quantity of rope. The officer making the arrest had found the prisoners in possession of the plunder, so the Magistrate granted a full commitment.

A tub of butter was stolen yesterday from the store of WM. CARTY, at No. 30 Front-street, and was subsequently discovered in the store No. 259 Water-street, where BENJAMIN JOSEPH was in charge, and denied the presence of the butter until it was shown him. JOSEPH was arrested and arraigned before Justice COX, who held him for trial.

MARY DOWD stole five pairs of pantaloons, value $40, from the store of PHILIP SIMONDS, at No. 164 Greenwich-street, and on being pursued, dropped the plunder in the street. She was arraigned before Justice COX and committed.

The body of an unknown man was found in the East River yesterday, near Seventy-second-street, and subsequently removed to the Morgue.

Mr. FREDERICK E. HARTMAN, a lawyer, of No. 32 Nassau-street, was arrested before Justice COX yesterday, at the Tombs, and released on a charge of forging the signatures of JAMES A. CAROLAN and BERNARD SMYTHE, Deputy Receivers of Taxes, to two tax receipts for $120 and $170 respectively.

The attention of the Police is called to the fact that for eight days the mangled carcass of a dog has laid at the corner of Forty-eighth-street and Third-avenue, in a equally disgusting object of the same sort has been for ten days in the same street, midway between Ninth and Tenth avenues. Again, another dead dog has for five days past graced the middle of Elizabeth-street, not twenty paces from Canal-street. In the latter place a portion of the Board of Health, whose duty it is to remove such nuisances, should be informed of the fact.

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Mr. ALEXANDER W. SHEPHERD was examined for the prosecution and stated that:

Mr. Sawyer came to him in regard to the loan; represented himself to be the attorney for the owners of the bonds, and asked him to sell them in the market, stating that there was $40,000 to be paid on them; $70,000 completed and he directed him to draw a check for $30,000 in favor of the President of the National Trust Company, Broadway, and $5,000 in favor of Mr. J. J. Bowman; Mr. Sawyer obtained the bonds for witness, cashier, and received in return $5,000; it was a person named Nelson Quirke first informed him of the loan, and he said he would protect him against any loss; witness sold $80,000 worth of the bonds which proved to be lost, and he instituted a lawsuit in attachment against General Littlefield, who owned them, and got good bonds in their stead; had he known this previous to paying Mr. Sawyer $5,000 he would have instituted to do so.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sawyer—In this transaction I understood you to be attorney for the owners of the bonds and not for Mr. Bowman; I remember interrupting you then $80,000 worth of the bonds were had beyond; not tell me to discontinue the sale of them; I put the bonds the same time that you received the $5,000, and they were purported to be signed by C. Campbell; I was not aware that Mr. Campbell was a minor when I disposed of the bonds; I never saw Mr. Campbell and know him only by the owner; you brought me the order from him signed with his name; you made the same to me; I supposed you got your share; you sold me Campbell was an ex-Alderman, and was represented to you to be a man of wealth.

To Mr. Shepherd—I had a conversation with my lawyer in reference to this transaction, and he said I had been swindled; Mr. Sawyer stated to me that these bonds were to be sold.

No other witness was examined and Mr. MORGAN submitted his case.

Judge LEWIS considered that the case was not established, as it was not proved that Mr. CAMPBELL, the complainant sustained any loss whatever. We therefore dismiss the charge.

Retailers of Liquid Death.

The following named dealers were presented to the Board of Health yesterday as retailers of dangerous kerosene:

Adam Bishoff, No. 430 East Fifteenth-street; Bernard Kurz, No. 430 East Fifteenth-street; Francis Julien, No. 427 East Fifteenth-street; McDonald Brothers, No. 161 Third-avenue; W. C. Burdick, No. 207 Third-avenue; Mrs. Bovier, No. 199 Rivington-street, (explosion the 7th;) Richard Fudelman, No. 193 Rivington-street; Andreas Trabert, No. 418 East Fifteenth-street; Henry Seiter, No. 426 East Fifteenth-street; John Farrell, No. 427 East Fifteenth-street.

The Gold Exchange Bank.

From the American Gold Register, compiled by Mr. J. C. MERGENEAU, the Registrar of the New-York Gold Exchange, it appears that the daily gold clearings at the Gold Exchange Bank during the year 1869, were as follows for the months named: January, $1,231,000,000; February, $1,465,000,000; March, $2,261,000,000; April, $1,359,000,000; May, $2,900,000,000; June, $1,945,000,000; July, $1,597,000,000; August, $2,021,000,000; September, $1,840,000,000; November, $157,000,000; December, $1,377,000,000. The operations of the Gold Exchange Bank were suspended Sept. 24, and not again resumed until Nov. 22.

Danger in the Navigation of the East River.

We are requested to call attention of Captains of vessels navigating the East River to a buoy, placed about 100 yards west of the Dye Works at Greenpoint, marking a sunken boat, with only nine feet water over her at low water.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

At the meeting of the Board of Excise yesterday thirty-one new applications for licenses in New-York and nine in Brooklyn were granted. Only one case of violation of the Excise law was tried, HENRY SEIFER, of No. 16 Sixth-avenue, being the defendant.

During Tuesday last a daring thief managed to sneak unobserved into the office of HARRISON & CO., No. 36 South-street, where he picked up a tin box from the counter, with which he escaped. The box contained $100 in money, a gold watch and chain and two bank checks for various sums. No trace of either the thief or the property has yet been found.

HENRY B. JOHNSON, of No. 510 Fifth-avenue, made complaint before Justice COX, yesterday, against JAMES HIGGINS, GEORGE STONDARD and WM. HAZELL, who had been arrested for stealing a quantity of rope. The officer making the arrest had found the prisoners in possession of the plunder, so the Magistrate granted a full commitment.

A tub of butter was stolen yesterday from the store of WM. CARTY, at No. 30 Front-street, and was subsequently discovered in the store No. 259 Water-street, where BENJAMIN JOSEPH was in charge, and denied the presence of the butter until it was shown him. JOSEPH was arrested and arraigned before Justice COX, who held him for trial.

MARY DOWD stole five pairs of pantaloons, value $40, from the store of PHILIP SIMONDS, at No. 164 Greenwich-street, and on being pursued, dropped the plunder in the street. She was arraigned before Justice COX and committed.

The body of an unknown man was found in the East River yesterday, near Seventy-second-street, and subsequently removed to the Morgue.

Mr. FREDERICK E. HARTMAN, a lawyer, of No. 32 Nassau-street, was arrested before Justice COX yesterday, at the Tombs, and released on a charge of forging the signatures of JAMES A. CAROLAN and BERNARD SMYTHE, Deputy Receivers of Taxes, to two tax receipts for $120 and $170 respectively.

The attention of the Police is called to the fact that for eight days the mangled carcass of a dog has laid at the corner of Forty-eighth-street and Third-avenue, in a equally disgusting object of the same sort has been for ten days in the same street, midway between Ninth and Tenth avenues. Again, another dead dog has for five days past graced the middle of Elizabeth-street, not twenty paces from Canal-street. In the latter place a portion of the Board of Health, whose duty it is to remove such nuisances, should be informed of the fact.

MARY McDONALD, 20 years of age, of No. 69 Forsyth-street, yesterday attempted to commit suicide by throwing herself from the dock at the foot of Market-street, but was prevented by Officer MARTIN, of the Seventh Precinct.

PATRICK LAHKIN, of No. 247 West Seventeenth-street, fell off his cart yesterday at the corner of West and Christopher streets, and was severely injured about the head. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

In a report of a fire in the distillery of EDWARD A. BOWTY, at No. 10 Cedar-street, yesterday morning, it was stated that the establishment was under seizure by the internal revenue officers. Mr. BOWTY desires us to state that a mistake was made in this announcement, and that his place is not and never has been under seizure.

That we are to have an "open Winter" seems to be a foregone conclusion. The splendid steamboat *Connecticut*, according to the announcement of the New-York and Troy Steamboat Company, will resume her trips to-morrow night.

The Board of Health yesterday received a report from a sanitary inspector stating that the cow stables in Brooklyn were not generally in such unsanitary condition as represented by popular rumors, and that but one was found in an exceedingly bad condition.

Fifty-nine charges against policemen were heard yesterday by Commissioner BRENNAN, but none were of great public importance. JAMES MCADAMS, of the Twenty-eighth Precinct, was fined two days' pay, and GEO. SMITH and CHAS. BYRNE were referred to the Board, for various offences against discipline.

The Messrs. DOLBEAR, teachers of penmanship and the commercial branches, yesterday opened a richly-appointed suite of rooms in ATKIN & MILLER's new building, corner of Broadway and Eighteenth-street, as a branch of the old College at No. 659 Broadway.

Yesterday afternoon a conference was held by representatives of the exporters, receivers and refiners of petroleum oils, at the Pine-street Exchange. Views were freely interchanged, but nothing of remarkable character transpired.

The Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company opened yesterday an office at No. 1,278 Broadway, corner of Thirty-third-street, for the transmission of telegrams.

Sergeant MICHAEL O'CONNOR, of the Jefferson Market Police Court, was found dead in his bed yesterday morning. He was for a number of years an active member of the force, but recently suffered considerably from neuralgia, which is supposed to have been the cause of his death. The Coroner was notified.

DANIEL WHOONAHAN was brought up before Justice SHANDLEY on a charge of burglary preferred against him by JULIUS LIVINGSTON, who alleged that on the morning of the 12th of January he forcibly entered his premises, No. 68 Carmine-street, and took away a sewing machine and other articles, valued together at $500.

Inspector CHAPMAN, of Castle Garden, introduced a "poor emigrant," just from Germany, to Collector GRINNELL, Tuesday. The gentleman from over the water, on close inspection, was found to be swaddled in silks, ribbons, lace and other expensive finery, skillfully concealed under his outer garments. The smuggler said he had been told before he left home that on paying $10 to the inspector here he could land in full dress. He was cared for as smugglers should be.

The drawing for Gunther's country seat in Jamaica, L. I., has been repeatedly referred to. The donation was made by Mr. W. H. GUNTHER under the condition that the whole issue of 500 chances be disposed of. The value of the estate being at least $25,000, Mr. GUNTHER desires to realize at least the full value of the property. To bring the chances within reach of everybody, Messrs. LOEWENHERZ, DANIEL & CO., the agents in the matter, No. 193 Nassau-street, have been authorized to take subscriptions for one-tenth, one-fifth and one-quarter chances, at $10, $20 and $50 respectively.

An electric accumulator has been placed in the Comptroller's office. The apparatus consists simply of two pedestals, one of which is placed near the Comptroller's desk and the other near his Deputy's, Mr. STORRS. On the top of these pedestals are small ivory knobs, marked with the names of the different departments. On pressing one of these knobs an electric current is sent through the wires connected with it, and a gong struck in the department with which it communicates. Much time and work will be saved.

The case of KIMBER and [illegible], the two persons charged with robbing a [illegible] by means of personating Custom House officers, was postponed for one day by Commissioner SHERLUE yesterday, on the application of the defendant's counsel. In the transaction with the [illegible] it is alleged that the stolen goods were [illegible] from the account [illegible] and that the latter [illegible] in the course that he was Collector of [illegible].

There is little doubt that the City Commissioners now [illegible] the [illegible] of Broadway will [illegible] in favor of the [illegible] and that thoroughfare will [illegible] from sixty-six to one hundred and [illegible] feet in width from Thirty-fourth to Fifty-ninth-street.

OLIVIA SHAW was yesterday playing with a raccoon at the house of her employer, JOSEPH STINES, No. 220 East Thirty-fourth-street, when she was so severely bitten by the animal that she was removed to Bellevue Hospital.

MICHAEL HERON and THOMAS COMERFORD were seriously injured yesterday while at work in a sewer in Ninth-avenue, near Sixtieth-street, by the earth caving in upon them. They were taken to St. Luke's Hospital.

JAMES C. MOTT was knocked down yesterday at Mt. St. Vincent, by an engine on the Hudson River Railroad, and received a slight scalp wound. He was brought to the City and taken to the St. Stasi Hospital.

MARY FARRY yesterday fell over a coal scuttle in her room at No. 23 Monroe-street and broke her arm. She was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

The New Year's Festival of the Fourteenth Ward Industrial School was held yesterday, in the schoolroom, No. 116 Elizabeth-street. Two hundred children were present and a large number of visitors. Addresses were delivered by Mr. C. L. BRACE, of the Children's Aid Society, Mr. S. W. SKINNER, Mr. D. WILLIS JAMES and others. A number of recitations were given, in a very superior manner, and in several cases showed considerable elocutionary talent. The children, after partaking of a beautiful supply of cake and fruit, were all presented with articles of clothing and toys. This school has attained a high state of efficiency, and reflects much credit upon the Misses STEVENS and their associate teachers.

This morning, at 6:30 o'clock, a special car will leave the Thirtieth-street depot for Albany, bearing Special Committees and others interested, who go to see the Governor concerning the Smith-Henry contest for the Supervisorship.

ADAM SAUER, a private in the Fifth Regiment N. G. S. N. Y., was buried yesterday at Green-Wood Cemetery with military honors.

The work on the new Post Office progresses. A ship arrived yesterday from Maine, with a load of granite for the work. Should the weather continue favorable, and the remaining contracts not be delayed, all the piers will be in position in six weeks. There are 125 men now employed upon the work, which is all that the funds in the Treasury for that purpose will allow. As soon as Congress makes an appropriation, there will be needed nearly 1,000 men to hurry forward the work towards completion in the Summer and Autumn months. The fence to the south, and the entire distance in front of Park-row, has just been moved back, giving to the public a broad board sidewalk, which greatly relieves the immense travel in that vicinity.

Mr. CHARLES MORAN read a paper on "The Darwinian Theory and its Acceptance by Herbert Spencer," before the members of the New-York Liberal Club, last evening, in their rooms, No. 29 Third-avenue.

The case of one of the persons whose books were seized for alleged frauds on the revenue in the Thirty-second District—that of Mr. GAYZELE—came up for a hearing yesterday afternoon in the United States Commissioner's Office. In the absence of witnesses the examination was adjourned to Wednesday next.

The trustees of Princeton College have erected a commodious and superb college gymnasium on the college grounds at Princeton. The same will be dedicated to-day. Appropriate addresses and other ceremonies will take place.

BROOKLYN.

The great need of a Republican newspaper which has been felt among the people of Williamsburg since the *Press* ceased to exist, over two years ago, is about to be supplied by about half a dozen public spirited citizens who think that the sum of $30,000 is not too much for them to invest in making a decent experiment. The necessity of this step has been regarded as all the more important in presence of the operations of the City Hall Ring in their endeavors to muzzle the local newspapers.

The Moen Asphaltic and Cement Company brought a suit against the Brooklyn and Coney Island Railroad Company, in the Supreme Court Circuit, for the sum of $203 with interest